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Global unions back U.S. air staff strike

LONDON, Aug. 7 (AP) — British air traffic controllers Thursday reacted angrily to the firing of their colleagues in the United States and described the U.S. government's handling of the crisis as 'Victorian'.

Statements of sympathy for the U.S. air traffic controllers also went out from France and Denmark, while Dutch controllers formally asked President Ronald Reagan to cancel dismissal notices to some 13,000 employees.

"Sorry, this is not the practice a 20th-century nation should indulge in," said Doug Bush, of the Institute of Professional Civil Servants, representing Britain's 1,500 most senior air traffic controllers. He said that as yet, the only concrete action taken by his union and others representing British controllers was the sending Wednesday of a joint telegram to the U.S. union of Professional Air Traffic Controllers offering support.

"If and when we receive an official request from PATCO for support, obviously we would consider it in detail," said Bush. "We are entirely behind them in this dispute." Other IPCS officials said the American union had since replied to the telegram stating the only support they wanted was moral.

Alan Taylor, spokesman for the Scottish, air traffic controllers, denounced the recruitment by the Reagan administration of other workers to handle the controllers' jobs.

In Paris, French traffic controllers — who have also sent a telegram of support to PATCO said they would study all additional possibilities within our means to act.

In Denmark, an official of the Danish ATC Union, who asked not to be quoted by name, said no action had been decided. But, he added, "We just want to let our American colleagues know we have full sympathy for them. We don't really understand Reagan thinking."

The hours they are demanding (35 per week) are the same we have had for years. Why should the Americans not have what their European colleagues have had for years? Meanwhile, in strike-free Holland where air traffic controllers have staged no industrial disputes for more than 12 years, their union asked Reagan to call off the strike notices.

Meanwhile, aircraft controllers throughout the world were urged by their international union Thursday to withhold clearance from

airliners flying to the United States.

The International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers Associations also asked members in 59 countries to tell pilots that they entered U.S. airspace at their own risk because of the strike by American controllers.

In Canada, the International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Association asked its 60-member group Thursday to deny clearance to aircraft flying to the United States, the federation president said. President Harri Henschler, an Edmonton air traffic controller, said the federation wants its controllers to clear aircraft only to the last point outside American borders.



FINED FOR CONTEMPT: Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization President Robert C. Poll, center, is surrounded by persons leaving U.S. District Court with him in Washington Monday evening. Judge Harold Greenson found the union in contempt for refusing to return to work and imposed fines that could amount to \$4.75 million over the next week.

The federation members control aircraft flying from and over Europe, North America, most of central America, South America and Africa.

In Washington, the Reagan administration is preparing to keep U.S. airports working after firing thousands of striking air controllers.

Transportation Secretary Drew Lewis said a scheme to "re-permit" flying for the next 30 days would be announced Friday, the fifth day of the controllers' illegal walkout which has cost airlines millions of dollars in lost revenue.

Jail conflict toll 51 U.K. rebuffs Irish request

DUBLIN, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — British authorities Friday rejected a suggestion that they grant immediate prison reforms in Ulster in an attempt to end the hunger strike of Irish Republican militants imprisoned there, according to official sources here.

Irish Foreign Minister John Kelly had asked British authorities to grant immediate privileges to those jailed who were not engaged in the hunger strike, or the so-called "dirty protest" involving refusal to wear prison clothes and clean cells. Hunger strikers would then be able to see what reforms they would be granted if they called off their protest, Kelly suggested.

"We regret that Britain did not find it possible to adopt a suggestion which seemed to us to be constructive and practicable and to involve no sacrifice of principle," an Irish government spokesman said here. While British authorities refuse to grant political status to the prisoners, they have stated that an end to the hunger strike would open the way for prison reforms.

Earlier fasting inmates at the Maze Prison appealed to the British government Friday to "meet us half way" and help solve the five-month-old hunger strike stand-off, which has claimed eight lives.

In a statement issued on their behalf by supporters, who said it was smuggled out of the top-security prison, the jailed nationalist guerrillas insisted they did not want better treatment for Irish prisoners. They also omi-

ted any reference to direct negotiations with the British, a previous condition set by the hunger strikers and refused by London.

"We are not seeking elitist or preferential treatment from other prisoners," said the statement. What in essence we seek is the uplifting of the present Victorian system. We are convinced that all prisoners are entitled as human beings to retain their dignity and self-respect."

The 2,000-word statement said the prisoners saw no reason why a settlement could not be reached and accused the British of "refusing to act sensibly, humanely or realistically."

According to figures released by the secretary of state for Northern Ireland Thursday in London, a total of 51 persons have died in Northern Ireland jail conflict since March 1, twice as many as in the same period last year.

Also since March 1 — when Republicans in the Maze Prison near Belfast started their hunger strike — more than 1,000 persons have been wounded in Northern Ireland and nearly 1,700 have been arrested. The dead include eight Republican hunger strikers in the Maze Prison, eight British soldiers and six civilians killed by plastic bullets fired by security forces. A leader of Northern Ireland's Social Democratic and Labor Party (SDLP), Michael Canavan, called on Secretary of State for Northern Ireland Humphrey Atkins to order an investigation into the six deaths and more than 100 woundings caused by the plastic bullets.

Washington Star ceases to twinkle

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AFP) — The Washington Star ended its 128-year existence as the capital's evening newspaper Friday with a front page filled up with just two words

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in block letters: "Final Edition."

Two weeks have passed since the Time Inc. announced it would be selling the failing paper, leaving Washington with only one major daily, *The Post*, known worldwide for its investigative reporting which uncovered such scandals as Watergate and upped its circulation at the expense of *The Star*. Friday's special edition of *The Star*, in effect an obituary, contained a letter from President Ronald Reagan and four inner pages of correspondence from readers, most of whom lamented the loss.

An advertising agency purchased an entire page of the paper, leaving it blank except for the headline: "Silence is not golden." Meanwhile, various papers in the Washington area and elsewhere have been discreetly maneuvering to fill the vacuum left by *The Star*'s disappearance. Among those jockeying for increased readership were *The New York Times*, which already counts 22,000 Washington-area subscribers, and *The Baltimore Evening Sun*, located close enough to the capital to increase its coverage and launch an ad campaign: "You're not losing a Star, you're winning a Sun," the television slogan says.

Paris, Tehran hammer accord

PARIS, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — France and Iran have reached an agreement which will allow all French nationals wanting to return to France to do so next week, External Affairs Minister Claude Cheysson said Friday.

Cheysson, in a television interview, said there was no reason "to doubt what has been promised." On Wednesday, President Francois Mitterrand advised all French citizens living in Iran, except for a skeleton crew at the Tehran Embassy, to return home. The president issued his statement after large crowds demonstrated outside the embassy following France's decision to grant political asylum to ousted Iranian President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr.

An external affairs ministry spokesman said 116 of the 144 French citizens in Iran had asked to be repatriated. A first group of 62 was refused permission to leave Tehran airport Thursday despite having valid exit visas because a justice ministry official insisted on legal and financial clearances. Cheysson declined any further comment on the situation Friday saying to do so might be dangerous for the people involved.

The agreement was arrived at, involving the Iranian Foreign Ministry and Ambassador Guy George who was accompanied by Paul Depis, a special envoy sent to Tehran by President Mitterrand. The French citizens are to leave Iran on regularly scheduled Iran-Air flights Monday and Wednesday.

As Cheysson announced the agreement, a prominent Iranian religious leader in Tehran Friday threatened Iran would humiliate France like it "rubbed America's snout in the dust" if Bani-Sadr was not extradited, Tehran radio reported.

The warning came from Ayatollah Meshkini, the Friday prayers Imam (leader) in the city of Qom who took over the post from Ayatollah Hussein Ali Montazari, the heir apparent to Ayatollah Khomeini.

Addressing French President Francois Mitterrand in a Friday sermon delivered at a Qom theological institute, Meshkini was quoted by Tehran radio as saying:

"If you are not prepared to return these terrorists to Iran, then the Iranian nation will do to you the same that has been done to America, when with clenched fists and the Allah Akbar (God is Great) slogans America's shout was rubbed in the dust."

This was an obvious reference to the Nov. 4, 1979 takeover of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran and the 444-day ordeal of 52 American hostages held by Iranian militant students.

Tehran radio said the ayatollah also demanded the extradition from France of Massoud Rajavi, head of the Islamic Marxist underground Mujahedeen Khalq organization.

Israeli jets swoop over delegation

BEIRUT, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — A squadron of Israeli warplanes, flying at tree-top level, swooped down on a delegation of Lebanese cabinet ministers and reporters inspecting a war-damaged bridge in south Lebanon, witnesses said. Lebanese reporter Edmond Chedid said the planes staged what appeared to be a "mock air raid" on the delegation near the Qassimiyeh Bridge north of the port city of Tyre.

Lebanese Finance Minister Ali Al Khalil, accompanied by a half-dozen reporters, traveled in a motorcade to south Lebanon to inspect the bridges and formulate plans to rebuild them. The flyover by the Israeli planes triggered panic, with the ministers jumping from their cars and seeking shelter after the incident. The delegation later returned to Beirut.

Meanwhile, fresh fighting broke out in the north Lebanese town of Tripoli Friday, official sources said. It was the fourth day of heavy clashes involving rival factions in the city, who have used artillery, rockets and machineguns.

In Amman, acting Prime Minister and Information Minister Aduan Abu Odeh declared Friday Jordan supports Lebanon's call for a summit conference of Arab heads of state to take up the conflict between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization in southern Lebanon.

PARIS, Aug. 7 (AFP) — France will deliver 13 AMX-13 light tanks to the Lebanese Army in September and five forward armored vehicles in October as gifts in the framework of French aid to Lebanon, the Defense Ministry said here Friday.

The statement confirmed reports from reliable sources in Beirut Thursday that French and Lebanese authorities were developing a program of political aid from France aimed at reinforcing the Lebanese Army.

Fahd urges basic change in U.S. Mideast policy

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia Friday called for a "radical change in the American Middle East policy in view of the failure" of the U.S.-sponsored Camp David peace accords between Egypt and Israel.

In a statement to the Saudi Press Agency Crown Prince Fahd expressed the Kingdom's regret for the U.S. administration's adherence to the peace agreements which, he said, proved to have failed.

Prince Fahd made his statement one day after the talks between Presidents Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Ronald Reagan of the United States failed to produce tangible progress on the Palestinian autonomy.

The prince however added that "we still hope that the Reagan administration will admit the invalidity of the Camp David agreements and initiate a radical change in its Mideast policy." He warned that "any attempt which does not force Israel to pull out from territories it occupied, in 1967, including Jerusalem, will lead to further destruction and bloodshed much in the fashion it is taking place in Lebanon."

The crown prince expressed the fear that time will run short for the U.S. administration to achieve peace in the region before congressional, followed two years later by presidential elections, draw nearer.

It (the U.S. elections) has become a chronic pretext in the last 30 years of waiting for peace, he said.

Fahd added that world and American public opinion have agreed for the need for the United States to recognize the Palestine Liberation Organization "because it is a fact and a truth in the light of the recent bloody clashes between the Palestinian commandos and Israel in Lebanon."

"Any peace not based on this fact will lead to situations of Angola, Ethiopia and Afghanistan," the prince said. "It is high time for the U.S. government to be less biased toward Israel and more equitable toward the Arabs", Fahd said.

Prince Fahd called for the implementation of United Nations resolutions for the settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

He reiterated that these resolutions call for:

- Israeli withdrawal from all Arab territories, including Jerusalem, occupied in 1967;
- The removal of settlements Israel set up after 1967;
- The guarantee of freedom of worship and religious rites for all religions in the holy places of Jerusalem;
- The inalienable rights of the Palestinian people and compensation of those who do not wish to return;
- A provisional U.N. mandate for several months over the West Bank and the Gaza Strip;
- The establishment of the Palestinian



state with Jerusalem as its capital;

- The guarantee of the right of the Palestinian people to live in peace; and
- The right of the peoples' region to live in peace;

Prince Fahd, who reiterated that those were U.N. resolutions, said that they can be added, or issued by the Security Council to be conditional to:

- The halt of America's unlimited support of Israel;
- Putting an end to Israeli arrogance whose ugliest pictures are represented by (Israeli premier) Menahem Begin;
- Admitting that, and as Chairman of the PLO Yasser Arafat has said, that the Palesti-

nian card is the basis of a peaceful Mideast settlement.

He added that talking of the U.S. peaceful responsibility also does not negate the importance and validity of the European peace initiative, though nothing tangible the EEC role has produced.

Prince Fahd said that the European initiative should take two directions: one toward the Middle East and the other toward the United States for being its ally in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

But Prince Fahd said the United States, in halting the Israeli aggression on Lebanon, has swiftly and effectively cooperated with the Kingdom. "We appreciate that." "However, we are talking here about one aspect of our relations with the United States and in a (Continued on back page)

British Airways loses \$253m

LONDON, Aug. 7 (R) — British Airways (BA) Friday announced losses of \$253 million in its last financial year and said it is examining possibilities for dropping routes.

The pre-tax loss, after a \$37 million drop in profit last year, underlined the problems of international airlines in the face of reduced passenger loads due to recession and higher costs. Announcing the results for the year ended last March, BA Chairman Sir John King told a press conference the state-owned company was examining possibilities of trimming routes.

He blamed the loss on a basically stagnant market which resulted in a drop of 1.4 million passengers last year. He said the airline was also faced with mounting costs because of inflation and higher fuel bills. He questioned the credibility of reports widely published in British newspapers last weekend, which said the company had understated losses on its airline operations. The report was said to have been drafted by dissatisfied BA managers.

Situation deteriorates Poland at standstill

WARSAW, Aug. 7 (R) — A four-hour warning strike over food shortages and alleged government inaction brought Poland's industrial heartland to a virtual standstill Friday. Other protests were held or planned elsewhere in the country, as relations between the unions and the authorities deteriorated.

Nearly a million workers downed tools or stayed away from work in the Silesian mining and industrial region, closing 60 coal mines and all but essential enterprises. A spokesman for the local branch of the independent union Solidarity said: "We cannot sit idly by with folded arms and watch the country sink deeper and deeper into economic chaos."

He said the pressure for a strike had been overwhelming, adding that many workers had urged the union to extend the stoppage. In Piotrkow-Trybunalski, southern Poland, workers staged a one-hour strike, and hunger marches were due to be held in the former royal capital Krakow and in the southern towns of Tarnow and Zakopane.

The Silesian strike took place after union-government talks aimed at defusing tension over food shortages and other grievances ended inconclusively, with each side blaming the other for the breakdown. The government, in the toughest attack on Solidarity for a long time, accused the union of arrogance and offensive behavior and called its attitude "a singular manifestation of ill-will."

It said in a statement: "The behavior of Solidarity's presidium is a saddening example of irresponsibility and deliberate action to hurt the interests of the state, society and the nation which are self-evident to every thinking Pole." The statement, carried early this morning by the official news agency, PAP, said continued demonstrations and "suicidal" strikes would only make it more difficult, if not impossible, to overcome the crisis. A Solidarity spokesman said the union

was puzzled by the sharpness of the attack, and expressed the hope that it did not reflect the government's future stand.

The spokesman, Janusz Onyszkiewicz, said he hoped the government would accept the union's invitation to attend a meeting of Solidarity's leadership in Gdanek on Monday to discuss the talks.

The union expected the authorities to continue talking to it in an effort to find a solution satisfactory to both sides, he told a press conference. Earlier Solidarity dismissed the government's charge that it had caused the breakdown of the talks, by rejecting a communique after it had been agreed by both sides, arguing that the government had made last-minute changes.

Uncle Sam won't let a dime go

NEW YORK, Aug. 7 (AP) — Chan Wing underpaid her 1980 taxes by ten cents. Now Uncle Sam wants that thin dime and a fat \$28.15 in penalties to boot.

Mrs. Wing, a 59-year-old seamstress who does not know English, turned for help to her stepdaughter, Ojmse Wing, when she got a dunning letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) this week.

Miss Wing, an assistant bank manager in Queens, took Thursday off to call on the IRS. "I told them this was an outrage, owing such a huge penalty charge on such a small amount of unpaid tax," she said. "It cost them more to send out the form letter to my stepmother than the amount she really owes."

The IRS declined to discuss the matter, citing its policy against disclosing an individual's tax returns. Miss Wing conceded the futility of her effort: "You can't fight the IRS any better than you can city hall, so I guess we'll wind up paying what we're told."

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Meeting possible this month

OPEC to discuss oil glut

CARACAS, Aug. 7 (R) — Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal said Thursday the Kingdom did not rule out the possibility of a special OPEC meeting this month on the present world oil glut. Prince Saud said if the talks were to be fruitful OPEC (Oil Producing and Exporting Countries) members would have to agree first on their common objectives. "We understand the problems caused by the present oil glut and that is why we call for an OPEC strategy, including price formula that guarantees the overall health of the industry," he said. "If there is to be a meeting this month we must have agreement on these common objectives," Prince Saud told a news conference at the end of a two-day official visit to Venezuela. The prince's remarks were the first official Saudi Arabian reaction to the possibility of a special meeting.

Direct linkage planned

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 — The Ministry of Education issued decision to liquidate regional education general directorates which exist in the Eastern, Central and Western Regions. Instead, educational directorates in Makkah, Jeddah, Taif, Riyadh, Dammam, Alkhobar, Hasa and others will be directly linked to the ministry in Riyadh, Okaz reported Friday.

bility of an emergency OPEC meeting, suggested by African OPEC members who have been hit hardest by the oil glut.

Earlier in the day, Oil Ministry sources in Bahrain said a majority of OPEC members are near agreement on holding the meeting in mid-August.

Saudi Arabia, which producers nearly half OPEC's oil, has deliberately caused the glut by refusing to cut its production of 10.25 million barrels per day (bpd) in a drive to force other OPEC prices nearer to its rate of \$32 a barrel.

Until now other OPEC countries have rejected any idea of cutting their official prices despite the flood of Saudi Arabian oil, the lowest-priced in the exporter group. Prince Saud said he and Venezuelan Energy and Mines Minister Humberto Calderon Berti had agreed on the need for a common objective if a special meeting were held.

Asked whether this meant price reductions by other OPEC members, Prince Saud said he preferred not to speculate on prices but said Saudi Arabia's interest was in the long-term health of OPEC. He added that OPEC's best interests lay in agreeing on a price formula that would help restore order into the world oil market.

Prayer Times

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Fajr	4:31	4:28	3:59	3:43	4:08	4:34
Dhuhr	12:26	12:27	11:58	11:45	12:10	12:39
Asr	3:47	3:54	3:25	3:16	3:40	4:13
Maghreb	6:57	7:02	6:34	6:26	6:47	7:20
Isha	8:27	8:32	8:04	7:53	8:17	8:50

King orders aid for Gambia

TAIF, Aug. 7 (SPA) — King Khalid has ordered a \$10 million in emergency aid for food and medical supplies to Gambia following last week's abortive coup against President Dawda Jawara. The president has appealed to the world for urgent medical assistance to his country to help it cope with the attempted coup's aftermath.

The Kingdom's assistance to Gambia, an Islamic country, stems from its policy to come to the aid of brothers and all other countries of the world subjected to crisis, officials said.

In a separate development, Prince Turki ibn Abdul Aziz donated SR160,000 to several local and international welfare societies, his office reported in Jeddah Friday. He gave SR80,000 to Dar Al-Hanan Forstrage Society of Beirut — he also gives an annual subscription of SR20,000 to the society.

Other societies which received donation from Prince Turki include the Southern Region Welfare Society, SR50,000; Ummul Qara Welfare Society of Makkah, SR5,000; and Awlati Society of Cairo, SR5,000. Prince Turki also gave SR20,000 to the Afghan freedom fighters through their office in Geneva.

Mitterrand visit very important, diplomat says

RIYADH, Aug. 7 (SPA) — French President Francois Mitterrand's visit to Saudi Arabia in September will be of great importance, particularly because it comes in the midst of critical international developments, according to French embassy officials here Friday.

Pierre Poitot, the charge d'affaires, said that the visit gains additional significance as it is the first by Mitterrand to an Arab country since his election as France's president. The official visit comes within the framework of the strong Franco-Saudi Arabian relations, the diplomat added.

"The visit will concentrate on discussing current developments in the Middle East and other international issues, as part of the two countries' efforts to bring peace and stability to the world," Poitot said. He added that journey holds great significance due to the strong ties between the two countries, particularly following King Khalid's visit to France. The King was the first head of state to visit France after the election of Mitterrand.

Prisoners get donation

JEDDAH, Aug. 7 — The Committee for the Release of Indebted Prisoners in Jeddah has received a new list of donations that amounted to SR509,800, according to local reports Friday. While thanking the donors, the committee called for more donations.

COMMENT

By Okaz

As soon as his new government took over, Begin declared its commitment to annex the West Bank of Jordan and Gaza Strip to Israel as part of the Zionist expansionist policy in the occupied Arab territories.

We did not expect Begin to change his aggressive tendency particularly when it became clear that he was to remain in power as Israel's premier following his success in the general elections there. But the most surprising thing was his confirmation that his government is committed to its expansionist policy and at the expense of the Arab lands. By that, he challenged President Reagan's administration which claims to be working to activate its role and bring peace to the region.

We wonder if Begin is trying to drag the region into a new war by taking advantage of the "confused" American policy toward the Middle East. Begin has disclosed his intentions to go ahead with his expansionist and provocative policy whereas the United States remains idle toward his attempts to escalate tension in the region.

We call for urgent Arab action to contain the current situation before a flare-up becomes imminent. Matters related to principles of legitimate rights, justice and peace can not bear postponement.

Quran translation to Korean completed by Prof. Kim Song

SEOUL, Aug. 7 (SPA) — Completion of the Holy Quran's translation to the Korean language was celebrated here Thursday on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of Islam's entry to South Korea. The Holy Book's interpretation was made in 731 pages, according to the Muslim Federation of South Korea.

Thief's hand cut in Najran town

NAJRAN, Aug. 7 (SPA) — A man, convicted of robbery, had his right hand severed at the wrist here Friday, an Interior Ministry statement said. Fare Salah Shaqir, a Yemeni national, was found guilty of breaking into a shop at Najran's market place and stealing silver ware and money.

He was arrested by authorities and confessed to his crime during investigation. Shaqir was tried by the Sharia court and a sentence was passed for cutting his right hand at the wrist.

Prof. Kim Song, former president of the federation and director of Arabic language at the languages department of Hangu University, has prepared the translation.

In other local religious developments, officials announced Friday that the second term study at the Quran Memorization Center of Riyadh will begin Saturday. Abdullah Muhammad AL-Subaih, the center's director, called on students to join the 40-day session.

Subaih said that the center's programs also include various cultural, sports, social and arts activities in addition to other incentives. Students are entitled to SR200 for every part of the Holy Quran they memorize. There are 30 parts in the Holy Book. Distinguished students in the other activities also will receive prizes, he said. Students are provided with transportation to and from the center, he added.

The first term of the center which lasts 20 days ended July 21. The Education Ministry organizes numerous Quran memorization centers across the country during the summer vacation to give students better knowledge of their religion, in addition to other useful activities to occupy their free time.

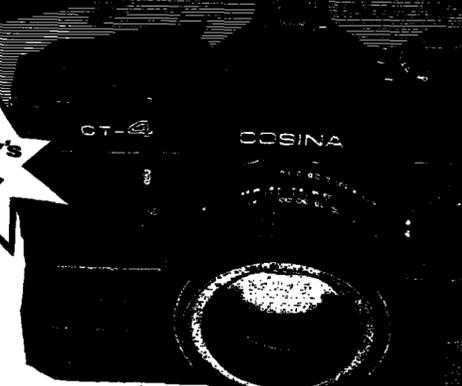
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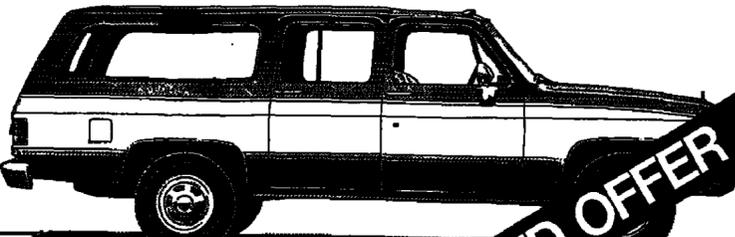
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Despite repeated pleas

Sadat, Reagan disagree on PLO

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP) — President Ronald Reagan and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat concluded two days of talks Thursday with expressions of goodwill but were clearly at odds over bringing the Palestine Liberation Organization to the Middle East negotiating table.

Emerging from their final meeting, the two leaders made no mention of Sadat's call for the United States to change policy and expand peace talks to include the PLO, which Reagan has branded a terrorist group. However, within two hours of Sadat's departure, the White House reaffirmed what Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig had said the previous night — the United States will not recognize or negotiate with the PLO as long as it refuses to recognize Israel's right to exist and does not accept United Nations resolutions.

"The U.S. position remains clear," said spokesman David Gergen. "It is the same position that has been enunciated before." For their part, Reagan and Sadat ignored their differences as they made farewell statements standing under the White House north portico in a rainstorm. Reagan called the talks valuable, particularly what he had learned from Sadat "about the complexities of the problems that we all face and we are trying to arrive at a just and lasting peace in the Middle East." On this subject, Reagan said, "to be completely candid, I was a willing listener."

He pointed out he will be hearing other Middle East viewpoints in the coming months. Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin is the next visitor, traveling to Washington Sept. 9-10. He will be followed by Jordan's King Hussein and the Saudi Arabian Crown Prince Fahd before year's end.

In Israel Thursday, Begin rejected Sadat's call for a PLO role in the negotiations. Reagan, in his remarks with Sadat, said, "We will work closely with Egypt as full partners in our search for peace and stability in the Middle East."

Sadat praised Reagan as "a great leader of a great nation" and vowed, "I shall never let you down." Later Thursday, Sadat urged U.S. support for "mutual and simultaneous recognition" of the PLO and Israel for each

other as the next step in Middle East peace efforts. After spelling out his proposal to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Sadat told reporters that he realizes the Reagan administration and Congress must study the idea before accepting or rejecting it.

Sadat called the Reagan administration's achievement of the July 24 ceasefire between Israel and PLO forces in Lebanon "an outstanding achievement" and continued: "My idea is this: Why not build on this success and continue in the next step of the mutual and simultaneous recognition." Sadat added, "I'm not putting a question and needing an immediate answer. No, not all. They have to study before they give their idea."

Sadat later presented his proposal to a group of house members and declared, "We must give the peace forces a new momentum." Majority leader Jim Wright, D-Texas, presiding at the house meeting, lauded Sadat as "a man of vision, a man of faith, of peace, of brotherhood."

On at least two occasions during his visit, Sadat urged Reagan to begin talking with the PLO as a step in negotiations toward self-rule

for the 1.5 million Palestinians living in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Toasting Reagan at a White House banquet Wednesday night, Sadat said the United States would promote peace "by holding a dialogue with the Palestinians through their representatives. This is certain to strengthen the forces of moderation among them."

After their meeting, Reagan prepared to leave Washington for a month-long vacation in California. Sadat will remain in the United States for three more days.

He goes Friday to New York City for a series of meetings and then returns to Washington to receive an honorary degree at Georgetown University Saturday.

At a news conference Thursday afternoon, Haig said Reagan had restated to Sadat the "U.S. commitment to Israel until the PLO itself recognizes Israel's right to exist" and accept U.N. resolutions. But Haig appeared to go out of his way not to criticize the PLO in as harsh terms as the administration had criticized it in the past.

Israel plans to shift offices to occupied Arab Jerusalem

TEL AVIV, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — The new government of Menachem Begin intends to transfer certain ministerial departments from Tel Aviv to Israeli-annexed Arab Jerusalem, the state radio reported Friday.

Last year, Begin scrapped plans to move his offices there on advice from Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who said Israeli interests worldwide risked being damaged by the move.

The tourism ministry will be the first to transfer, the radio said. Minister Abraham Shariif had already visited his new offices and warned staff to be ready to move from Tel Aviv.

The government has built a number of administrative offices in recent years in the city which was occupied by Israel in 1967.

Begin also plans to introduce a new law

under which Israeli cabinet ministers will no longer be members of parliament, official sources said Friday. The idea is to let ministers spend more time at their desks instead of putting long hours in the Knesset (parliament) to safeguard the new government's razor-thin majority.

Earlier this week, Begin signed a coalition pact with three religious parties which gave him the support of 61 members in the 120-seat Knesset.

The proposed law will allow ministers to vacate their Knesset seats in favor of other party members. The constitution compels Begin and his two deputies to retain their parliamentary seats. The proposed new law will affect the 15 other ministers, the sources said.

Daoud blames Zionists for attack

WARSAW, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Palestinian leader Abu Daoud, who was shot and seriously wounded in a Warsaw hotel Saturday has accused Israel of staging the attack, the Polish press reported Thursday.

Daoud — founder of the organization Black September and allegedly masterminded the 1972 attack on Israeli athletes at the Olympic games in Munich — made the accusation in a statement written from his hospital bed.

Quoting eyewitnesses, the Express Wiece

zorny newspaper said Daoud was hit twice in the chest, twice in the abdomen and once in the jaw. But he was able to stagger down from a first-floor cafe into the hotel lobby, where he was given first-aid treatment.

The Palestinian leader is still under intensive care at the Interior Ministry hospital in Warsaw. The Polish press reported that a big police operation was launched immediately after the attack. A composite portrait of an allegedly tall, swarthy assailant was issued to all border stations and airports.

BRIEFS

UNITED NATIONS, (R) — A French soldier of the U.N. peacekeeping force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) was slightly injured Thursday when a UNIFIL convoy in Tripoli, northern Lebanon, was fired on by unidentified gunmen, a U.N. spokesman said. The soldier was hit by stone chips broken off by bullets.

NEW DELHI, (AFP) — At least eight to ten F-16 fighter-bombers will be delivered to Pakistan by the United States by next year, The Hindustan Times reported Friday. The paper's Washington correspondent said Pakistan was keeping up its pressure on the Reagan administration, both to increase the total number of F-16s to be provided and to ship more of them earlier rather than later.

BEIRUT, (AP) — A pro-Iranian group claimed responsibility Friday for the overnight bombings of two French banks and the Air France office in Beirut as police reported a militia war in Lebanon's northern port city of Tripoli flared into a fourth day with 29 lives lost so far.

ROME, (AP) — The United States request that Italy participate in a peacekeeping force in the Sinai peninsula next year has drawn opposition from the Italian Communist Party. The Italian Communist Party, which opposes the Camp David accords on the grounds they were made without taking the Palestinians into account, said in its newspaper L'Unita Monday that a global solution to the Middle East problem is necessary.

Nonaligned peace panel meets Rajai

NICOSIA, Aug. 7 (AP) — The four-member nonaligned peace commission seeking to mediate an end to the 11-month-old war between Iran and Iraq arrived in Tehran Friday on a third shuttle between the warring countries, Iran's official Pars news agency reported.

The group is made up of the foreign ministers of Cuba, India and Zambia and a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Pars said they were met at Tehran airport by Iranian Foreign Minister Musavi and the ambassadors of the member countries. The nonaligned mediators met Friday with Iranian President Muhammad Ali Rajai, Pars said.

But Pars implied that Iran's position regarding peace with Iraq has not changed and that the mediators were embarking on no easy task. Pars recalled that an Islamic goodwill mission dispatched by the Organization of Islamic Conference Organization (OIC) and U.N. special envoy Olof Palme "had come to Iran for the same purpose in the past, but none of these efforts have so far led to a conclusion."

Karmal urges direct talks with Iran, Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — Afghan President Babrak Karmal declared in Kabul Thursday that his country's foreign policy "remains unchanged" and that the solution to the current crisis lay in acceptance of his May 14, 1980 proposal of direct talks with Iran and Pakistan, Radio Kabul, monitored here reported.

President Karmal's announcement coincided with the three-day visit to Afghanistan of United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim's special envoy Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Perez, who arrived in Kabul from

Shahi blames Israeli lobby in U.S.

KARACHI, Aug. 7 (R) — Pakistan Foreign Minister Agha Shahi has accused the Zionist lobby in the United States and "other interested parties" of leading an outcry against American arms sales to his country. Shahi said Thursday Pakistan planned to buy F-16 jets and other weapons — part of a \$3 billion U.S. economic and military package — purely for defensive purposes. The weapons were solely to replace obsolete equipment and did not mean a build-up of

Islamabad Thursday, resumed negotiation with Afghan Foreign Minister Shah Muhammad Dost on "problems facing the region," the radio said. The U.N. envoy, who held "substantive" talks with Pakistani leaders on the crisis created by the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan, is seeking a basis for the withdrawal of an estimated 85,000 Soviet troops from Afghanistan.

According to Kabul Radio monitored in Delhi, six persons involved in an attempt to overthrow the Karmal government have been executed after sentencing by a revolutionary court.

Pakistan's armed forces, he added. His mention of "other interested parties" was a clear reference to India, which has sharply criticized the deal as a threat to its security.

Shahi, who was speaking at a seminar organized by the Karachi Business Recorder newspaper, said India had nothing to fear from Pakistan as New Delhi's military potential was several times greater than that of Pakistan.

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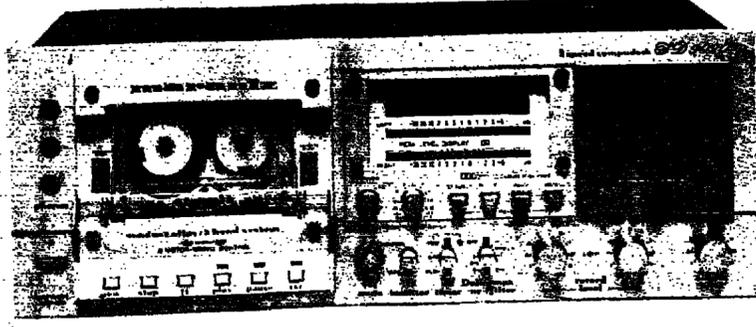


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Ziyang discusses security in Manila

MANILA, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang had an initial hour-long meeting here Friday with Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos on security in Asia and the world.

Marcos said later the goodwill generated by Zhao's visit had brought strengthened relations in trade, as well as cultural and technical exchanges between the two countries.

In a move to correct the current trade imbalance in China's favor, the two countries agreed to negotiate an increase in China's purchases of Philippines' coconut oil, which had fallen since a long-term trade agreement in 1979.

Marcos also raised the question of buying high grade coal from China once power and other industries switched from oil to solid fuel. Zhao, who heads a 23-man Chinese delegation, is on the first leg of a three-nation tour which will also take him to Malaysia and Singapore. In addition he will make a brief stopover in Thailand.

Zhao said here Thursday that China will continue to work together with the ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations) for "a just and reasonable settlement of the Kampuchean question at an early date." "In the overall interest of opposing hegemonism and maintaining world peace China will work with the ASEAN and all justice-upholding countries for the implementation of the U.N. General Assembly resolutions on Kampuchea and the declaration of the international conference on Kampuchea," he said at a dinner hosted by Marcos.

The international conference held in New York on Kampuchea had adopted a declaration calling for the withdrawal of all foreign forces in Kampuchea in the shortest possible time, the respect and observation of the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity, of Kampuchea and the commitment of other countries to non-interference and non-intervention in the internal affairs of Kampuchea.

"We wish to see an independent, neutral and nonaligned Kampuchea and sincerely hope that Southeast Asia will become peaceful, stable and prosperous," Zhao said.

Meanwhile, Vietnam Friday attacked the current Southeast Asian tour of Zhao, warning host countries they had a "wolf at their door."

The Communist Party newspaper *Nhan Dan* said Peking-backed "Maoist groups" operating in the ASEAN states "testify to the double-dealing nature of Chinese expansionism."

"Chinese expansionism is the direct threat to this region and ASEAN's following its lead amounts to encouraging the wolf at their door," the paper said.

The *Nhan Dan* commentary, carried by the Vietnamese News Agency monitored in Bangkok, said Zhao's trip was meant to incite ASEAN states into opposition to Vietnam and the Soviet Union, "and to hinder dialogue in this region."

"Moreover, public opinion in Southeast Asia is worried by the U.S. promise to supply China with offensive weapons," the commentary said, referring to a recent U.S. decision to consider such sales on a case-by-case basis. Who can guarantee that these weapons will not be used against Southeast Asia which China regards as its natural sphere of influence?"

Jakarta entry denied

JAKARTA, Aug. 7 (AFP) — An American professor has been refused entry to Indonesia because of past criticisms of the government, an immigration spokesman said Friday.

Professor A. Anderson, of the Social Science Research Council of the United States, arrived here last Sunday to attend a seminar on art and language. But as he was waiting for his luggage at the airport, he was asked to board the plane again to leave Indonesia, the spokesman said.

Anderson had criticized Jakarta's handling of the problem of East Timor, a former Portuguese colony taken over by Indonesia five years ago.

BRIEFS

PALMA DE MALLORCA, Balearic Islands, (AP) — King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, currently vacationing in this Mediterranean island, will visit India early next year, reliable sources said Thursday. The sources said the royal visit would coincide with the Indian Republic Day, which falls on Jan. 26.

JAKARTA, (AFP) — Twelve persons died on cholera at Cianjur, west Java, where the disease had been spreading in the past week, Antara news agency reported Friday. It quoted local health officials as saying that mass inoculation was under way.

WINDHOEK, (AFP) — South African forces killed 42 members of the South West Africa People's Organization last week in the "operational zone" on the border between Namibia and Angola, a South African military spokesman said here Friday.

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — The Dutch government has told Pretoria that it is terminating the cultural treaty between the two nations to protest South Africa's policy of apartheid, the Foreign Ministry said Thursday. A spokesman said Dutch Ambassador Jo van Der Valk informed the South African government of the decision Wednesday and that the treaty will become void six months later, on Feb. 5, 1982.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Aug. 7 (AP) — A 34-year-old man was sentenced Thursday to 20 years in prison in connection with a \$3.3 million robbery that officials have called the largest bank robbery in U.S. history. Douglas Bruce Fenimore also received 10 years in prison for two jewelry store robberies, officials said.



BERLIN PROTEST: Some 500 youth supporters to the Irish hunger strikers demonstrate in West Berlin Thursday. The poster reads "Victory to the Freedom Fighters and Hunger Strikers of the IRA."

Bombing aftermath

Irish security reviewed

BELFAST, Aug. 7 (AP) — British soldiers defused two unexpected bombs Thursday and officials reviewed security arrangements throughout Northern Ireland the day after a province-wide bomb blitz claimed by the Irish Republican Army (IRA).

Disposal units successfully disarmed explosive devices in Dungannon, County Tyrone, and Armagh — both near the border with the Irish Republic — officials said.

Police chiefs, meanwhile, were reported meeting with businessmen and community leaders to discuss security arrangements in the light of Wednesday's bombings in Belfast, Londonderry and four other Northern Ireland cities.

In telephone calls to reporters, the IRA claimed responsibility for the explosions, which were timed to go off within an hour of one another. They caused serious damage to offices, shops and a main railroad line. No one was seriously injured, though seven persons were cut by flying glass.

The fusillade, responsibility for which was claimed by the IRA in telephone calls to reporters, was the guerrilla group's first coordinated bomb attack since the Maze Prison hunger strike began March 1.

In a new bid to end the protest at the top-security facility outside Belfast, the act-

ing Irish Republican Foreign Minister John Kelly asked the British government Thursday to implement a series of reforms it has promised to non-striking prisoners "without delay."

The hunger strikers, mostly IRA men, are fasting to back demands for political prisoner status. Britain's Northern Ireland Secretary Humphrey Atkins has said he would institute reforms at the Maze for non-striking prisoners and for all inmates once the hunger strike ends. But he has never said specifically what the reforms would be.

The protesters, eight of whom have died since March 1, are demanding the right to wear their own clothes, associate freely among themselves, refrain from prison-assigned work, receive more mail and be restored to full parole status.

A spokesman said Kelly "proposed that instead of waiting for the protest to end, the authorities should go ahead and grant the improvements to all prisoners not involved in the campaign."

About 430 nationalist prisoners at the Maze have taken part in protest action of one kind or another. Several hundred others, including members of groups loyal to the British and nationalists serving short sentences, have not joined the campaign.

Military payloads for shuttle delayed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP) — The Pentagon has announced a 14-month delay in the launching of the first military payloads aboard the U.S. space shuttle because of a lag in construction at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California.

The announcement did not say so, but Pentagon officials privately acknowledged that this development will affect the use of the space shuttle to send spy satellites into Polar orbit. Instead, the Air Force will continue to

send up spy satellites and other military spacecraft aboard *Titan III* rockets.

The Pentagon blamed the delay from August 1984 to October 1985 on a shortage of contractor engineering manpower at Vandenberg. At the same time, the Air Force also disclosed a delay from this year until mid-1982 in the availability of an "inertial upper stage" for the shuttle, which would be used to lift various space gear into higher orbits.

The announcement said this part of the project "will experience additional cost growth resulting from earlier development problems" and cancellation by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration of variants designed for planetary missions.

"A thorough Air Force review found the inertial upper stage (IUS) to be technically sound and capable of meeting all mission objectives," the Pentagon said Thursday.

According to the announcement, the Air Force has reached preliminary agreement with the Boeing Aerospace Corp. on renegotiation of the full-scale development contract for the IUS. It gave no details. In a statement, Air Force secretary Verne E. Orr said, "these program adjustments reflect the realities and uncertainties the Air Force faces rather than any change in our strong support for the space shuttle."

In the past, defense officials have predicted that by the mid-1980s the United States will be totally dependant on the manned shuttle placing satellites in orbit to spy military developments inside the Soviet Union, for early warning against surprise missile attack, for military communications, navigation and weather forecasting.

Soviet sub strengthens navy power in Baltic

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — Soviet naval presence in the Baltic Sea was strengthened Friday as a Zulu-class submarine entered the sea after crossing a strait separating Denmark's two main islands, a Danish naval intelligence source said. The 2,100-ton submarine was the 15th Soviet vessel in the past two weeks to head through the strait toward the Baltic.

An intelligence source said there were at least 60 Soviet naval vessels in the extreme eastern portion of the Baltic, including those usually stationed there. He said there were also 90 Warsaw Pact amphibious vessels in the Baltic, but that only Soviet units were participating in apparent preparations for a naval exercise.

In Stockholm, Swedish defense headquarters put the number of Soviet vessels at 50, half of them landing craft. The headquarters said it was the first time the Soviets had taken vessels from the Barents and Black Seas and the Pacific Ocean, such as the 38,000-ton aircraft carrier *Kiev* and the troop transport vessel *Ivan Rogov*, and redeployed them in the Baltic.

(The Swedish sources said the buildup was for large-scale maneuvers that may begin next week.)

In Bonn, meanwhile, the conservative daily newspaper *Die Welt* reported that the heightened presence was to prevent Poles from fleeing to Scandinavia in the event of a Soviet invasion of Poland.

(The newspaper, quoting Western intelligence sources, said the officers leading the maneuvers were taking into account the support some Polish naval units might give the fugitives to help them reach the West.)

(The Poles would head primarily for Sweden and the Danish island of Bornholm, the new paper said, adding that East Germany has promised to be particularly attentive to any possible escape attempts.)

The *Die Welt* story was indirectly denied by Danish military intelligence spokesman Lt.-Col. Preben Borberg, who told *Agence France-Press* that the buildup was not immediately attributable to the situation in Poland. But, he said, landing maneuvers should go on for a month or longer, and he could not discount the possibility that Soviet units would intervene in Poland.

He said the goal of the exercise, to which no Western observer has been invited, was to try a landing with aircraft carrier support, which could then be used anywhere, "whether it be in Africa, in the Indian Ocean, in Poland, West Germany or Denmark."

In a related study, the West German government said the strategic nuclear arsenals of the United States and the Soviet Union are roughly balanced at this point.

According to the study, the United States enjoys a huge superiority in submarine-based nuclear missiles, while the USSR has an overwhelming superiority in medium-range missiles, currently the object of an East-West controversy. In the realm of land-based intercontinental missiles, the Soviet Union, according to the study, has overtaken America.

More specifically, the study said, the United States and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization have at their disposal 4,848 nuclear warheads that can be launched from submarines, against 1,300 for the USSR and the Warsaw Pact countries. In terms of medium-range nuclear Euro-missiles, there are 1,430 of these in the Warsaw Pact area against only 18 within NATO.

For its intercontinental missiles, NATO has accumulated a stock of 2,152 nuclear warheads against the Warsaw Pact countries' 5,500, the study went on, adding that the two sides had about the same number of launching pads for such missiles. Since the Soviet missiles had a greater thrust, however, they had a potential for carrying heavy charges than the American ones.

A Pentagon spokesman said in Washington Thursday that the Soviet Navy has 17 "prime" combat navy ships and 52 to 54 small amphibious vessels in the Baltic Sea.



BRANDENBURG GATE: East German troops guarding the Brandenburg Gate 20 years ago when the Communist regime sealed off East Berlin to halt the escape of their citizens. The vehicles in the center are water cannons.

Royal couple aboard

Frigate salutes Britannia

ROME, Aug. 7 (AP) — An Italian frigate sounded a long whistle and briefly lowered its flag Friday in a salute to Britain's royal yacht as it cruised through the Ionian Sea carrying Prince Charles and Princess Diana, a naval officer said.

The officer said the Italian ship *Sagittario* met the British yacht *Britannia* on the high

seas several hundred miles south of Reggio di Calabria, at the tip of the Italian mainland, at about 9:30 a.m. (0730 GMT). "It all happened regularly and took about 15 minutes," the officer said.

He said the ships used semaphore flags to exchange greetings and the British ship returned the traditional courtesy salute with its own whistle and a drop of the flag.

The officer did not know if the newlyweds, married July 29 in London, appeared on deck during the meeting. The whereabouts of the honeymooners' yacht has been a hotly-pursued secret since it embarked from Gibraltar last weekend on a two-week cruise.

Meanwhile, huge forest fires raged along the fashionable Riviera and in southern Italy Friday and authorities held arsonists responsible for the blaze.

A blaze that broke out on the mountain of Portofino, along the Ligurian coast, was definitely the work of arsonists, local police reported. Dozens of volunteers, soldiers and fire-fighters were struggling to put out the flames, which destroyed several hectares of timber and brushwood.

Earlier this week, a huge fire forced evacuation of hundreds of tourists from a campground on Sardinia, while more fires were still raging in the province of Nuoro on the Italian island.

A recent study showed that 270,000 hectares of wood were destroyed by fire in Italy in the past five years, while reforestation accounted for 66,000 hectares in the same period. The study reported that most fires were due to arson or carelessness of tourists.

Italian builder jailed for faking own kidnapping

LECCE, Italy, Aug. 7 (AP) — A prosecutor has charged a wealthy Italian builder with faking his own kidnapping to win sympathy and thus help him collect on debts, court officials said.

"My company is in crisis, but many towns and state firms haven't paid me for work that I've done. I was hoping to convince them to give me some of the money," Cosimo Magno, 8, was quoted by court officials as admitting.

Magno vanished near his home at Coperino in southern Italy Sunday night, and an anonymous caller asked his family to prepare a ransom of 500 million lire (\$400,000). Magno returned home Monday night and claimed his abductors had unexpectedly released him along the coast.

Laos princes escape in raft

BANGKOK, Aug. 7 (AFP) — The two oldest grandsons of deposed King Savang Vatthana of Communist-ruled Laos have escaped the country by crossing the Mekong River in a homemade raft, Thai officials have announced.

The two princes, Surivong and Thanya Vongsavang, 18 and 17, respectively, were accompanied by six men and seven women from the former royal household, including a 70-year-old nursemaid. They were reported to be in the northeastern Thai border town of Nong Khai, under government supervision.

The group escaped in darkness early Tuesday, using a raft made of banana tree trunks. The princes reached the Mekong River, which separates Laos from Thailand, by sneaking out of a hospital, the Thai officials said.

The two princes had reached the laotian capital Vientiane late last month, by applying for specialized medical treatment that was not available at a re-education camp housing the royal family 150 kms to the north.

The two are the eldest of seven children of Princess Manilal and Crown Prince Vongsavang Vatthana. The crown prince is the only son of former King Savang Vatthana, who was deposed after a 1975 Communist takeover. The aged ex-king's whereabouts were not known. Reports last year that he had died in Laos could not be confirmed.

The two princes reportedly told Thai authorities in Nong Khai that they plan to apply for asylum in Switzerland where their aunt Princess Savannah, sister of the crown prince, now lives after fleeing Laos two years ago.

Biggest flower faces extinction

JAKARTA, Aug. 7 (AFP) — An American scientist has expressed concern that the biggest flower in the world, the rafflesia, is in danger of extinction in Indonesia, where it was first discovered by Sir Stamford Raffles in 1818.

The flower, with a normal diameter of some 90 centimeters, has become rare in Indonesia because of indiscriminate deforestation, Willem Meijer, biologist from Kentucky University in the United States, reported at a meeting of environment experts here. He said at least 15 rafflesia varieties still existed in Indonesia, out of 50 types in tropical and sub-tropical zones known throughout the world.

Tigers have proved to be better companions than humans for the flower, which grows undisturbed in tiger sanctuaries, said Meijer, who is ending a six-year stay in Indonesia.

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U.S. defense program set at \$1.6 trillion

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP) — U.S. defense planners have forged a record five-year budget program totaling more than \$1.6 trillion for fiscal years 1983 through 1987, Pentagon sources have said.

The new outline represents an increase of about \$200 billion over the Reagan administration's first five-year defense program, outlined to Congress last March, in a push to 'rearm America.'

The first plan spans fiscal 1982, starting next Oct. 1, through fiscal 1986. The updated plan advances the long-range military buildup another year. The services submitted their proposals in line with top-level Pentagon instructions to stay within the administration's goal of sustaining a seven percent a year in 'real growth' after allowing for inflation.

Senior Pentagon officials are about to start detailed reviews of these proposals, with particular emphasis on the detailed fiscal 1983 budget which will go to Congress in January, along with a new five-year projection.

Referring to these budget reviews, Pentagon spokesman Ben Welles predicted 'there will have to be chopping and varying' of some programs. He also said that some

programs may have to be dropped.

If the Reagan administration accepted all the proposals submitted by the armed services in recent weeks, the defense budget would short up from 222.2 billion requested for next year to \$412.1 billion in 1987.

Plans for huge boosts in defense spending are driven by such costly Reagan administration aims as developing and producing a fleet of advanced strategic bombers, increasing the navy by a net of about 150 ships, installing a new intercontinental missile system, and adding about 200,000 more men and women to the uniformed forces.

Although Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger is reported to have sought unsuccessfully to gain White House approval for a larger percentage increase in spending, he has embraced publicly the seven percent 'real growth' standard. He said recently that maintaining this pace steadily for five to six years 'can regain for us the kind of defensive strength — that we need.'

Pentagon sources said that, in addition to submitting new five-year programs within approved guidelines, the armed services were allowed to come in with separate packages of military programs they believe are necessary.

American exports

Boeing tops with \$5.5b sale

NEW YORK, Aug. 7 (AP) — The United States' 50 leading exporters, led by Boeing aircraft manufacturer, amassed total sales of \$57.3 billion in 1980 — more than one-quarter of all American goods sold abroad, *Fortune* reports.

Fortune, the business magazine published by Time Inc., said in its forthcoming edition that exports are becoming increasingly important to the U.S. economy precisely as their expansion seems ever more difficult.

American firms were unable to keep pace with the growth of foreign competition, *Fortune* said. During the last decade, the American share of the non-Communist world's exports has slumped from 15.4 percent to 12 percent with little hope of improvement in the near future, the magazine said.

Along with direct exporting to foreign customers, U.S. corporations have traditionally advanced into foreign markets through a worldwide network of subsidiaries, *Fortune* said. In an effort to give more representative picture of a company's achievements in foreign trade, *Fortune* said, this year's list takes into account sales through foreign subsidiaries as well as those made directly.

One result, it said, is the inclusion of 15 industrial giants that export almost exclusively through foreign affiliates. Most notable are two automakers — General Motors, ranked No. 2 with exports of \$5.3 billion in

World Bank pats India's progress

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP) — The World Bank takes an optimistic view of India's economic future in its 'world development report' for 1981.

It points out that 45 percent of India's bill for imports is for oil, that oil is not expected to grow, nor are remittances from its citizens abroad. 'Nevertheless,' the report says, 'if it continues its agricultural progress, adopts more outward looking trade policies, improves the infrastructural support for its development effort, India should be able to restore its external position without seriously slowing down its growth.'

1980, and Ford Motor, No. 4, with \$3.5 billion in exports — and International Business Machines, No. 9 with exports of \$1.6 billion.

Fortune's ranking of the 50 leading exporters, based on the *Fortune* directory of the 500 largest U.S. industrial corporations, is dominated by makers of aircraft and aircraft components. In addition to No. 1 Boeing, which had exports of \$5.5 billion in 1980, accounting for 58.4 percent on the company's total sales of \$9.4 billion, the list includes United Technologies, No. 7, McDonnell Douglas, No. 8, Lockheed, No. 10, Textron, No. 29 and Northrop No. 30.

Among the 18 newcomers to the list are four oil companies Mobil No. 26, Exxon, No. 31, Phillips Petroleum, No. 44 and Standard Oil of California, No. 49.

Other leading exporters include: General Electric, No. 3, Caterpillar Tractor, No. 5, Du Pont, No. 6, Eastman Kodak, No. 11, Union Carbide, No. 12, Westinghouse Electric, No. 13 and Dow Chemical, No. 17.

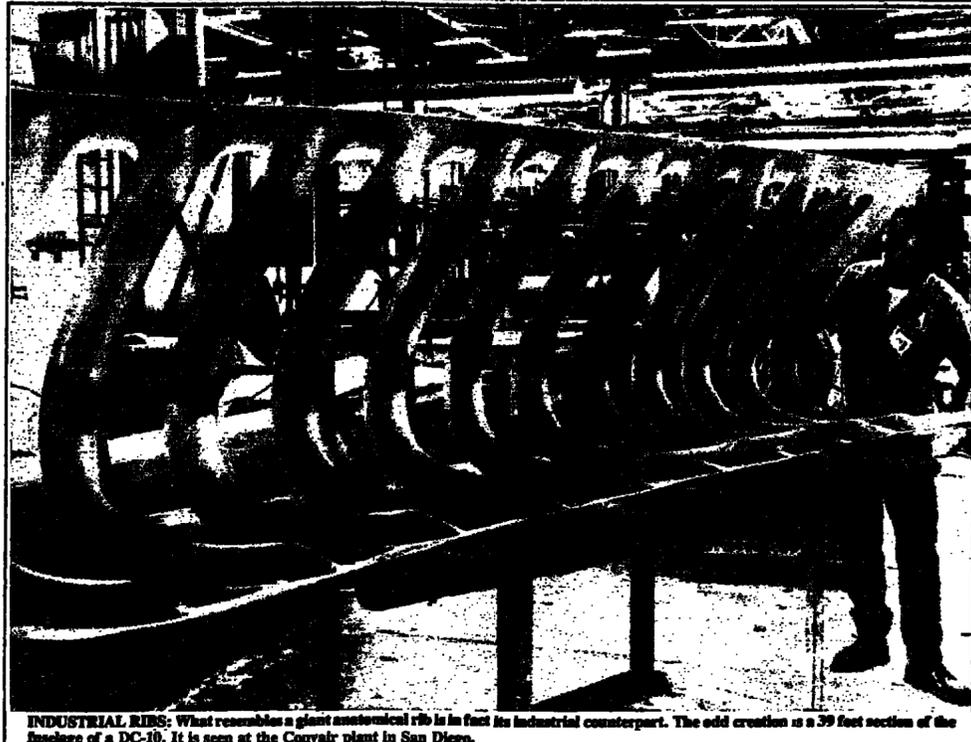
Italian tourism staff plan strike

MILAN, Aug. 7 (AP) — Italian tourism employees have called a one-day strike for next Tuesday that is expected to close many restaurants and force vacationers in upper- and middle-class hotels to make their own beds.

Unions representing 800,000 workers Friday called the strike next week to protest a breakdown in negotiations for a new contract.

Ignoring protests by government officials against strikes during the peak tourist season, unions said they will call two more one-day strikes by the end of the month if negotiations are not resumed soon. Family-run pensions and restaurants were expected to operate normally.

Meanwhile, crewmen of staff-owned ferryboat lines operating between the mainland and Italian islands, and flight mechanics of the Italian state airline Alitalia, threatened a series of wildcat stoppages over the weekend and next week if they are not given pay increases and fringe benefits.



INDUSTRIAL RIBS: What resembles a giant anatomical rib is in fact its industrial counterpart. The odd creation is a 39-foot section of the fuselage of a DC-10. It is seen at the Convair plant in San Diego.

Investment hits \$6b

Boom triggers capital flow to Japan

LONDON, Aug. 7 (R) — Investment managers regard Japan as one of the best places to put money in a troubled world, despite the yen's sharp fall in value against the dollar this year.

Western and Middle East investors poured a record \$6.15 billion into the market in the last financial year, compared with just \$192 million the previous year.

London bankers and stockbrokers interviewed by Reuters say 'Middle East oil-producing countries seeking to recycle petrodollars and Western pension funds looking to diversify their investments increasingly view Japan as the world's strongest economy and the one with safest long-term prospects.

John Clay, a stockbroker with Wickers Da Costa of London, said: 'It's hard to see an economy that is stronger, put quite simply, the Japanese produce things people want at prices they want to buy them at.'

The fall in the yen from about 200 to the dollar in January to below 240 this week may have slowed the flow of money to Japan, investment experts say, but there is a wide expectation the Japanese currency will soon bounce back.

The fall of the yen, along with other major currencies against a buoyant dollar, did not deter the launching last week of two British investment trusts, Japan Assets and Stockholders Far East Investments, that will place the bulk of their funds in Tokyo.

Figures issued by the Association of Investment Trust Companies showed that for the year ending on June 30, the best performing British trust was Crescent Japan, all of whose funds are invested in Japan. In second place was G.T. Japan.

Crescent Japan showed a 193 percent gain in value over the year, the kind of return that boosts investors' expectations that the Tokyo stock market will continue to perform better.

The right reward for putting firm in ship shape

BRIGHTON, England, Aug. 7 (AP) — Anthony Antoniadis gave his 150 employees a present Thursday as a token of his appreciation of their work.

He presided over the launching of £60,000 (\$108,000) luxury yacht *Pastorella*. (And he made its title over to the employees of his firm Europlink Computer Services which solves computer problems for subscribers. And that's not all. He told reporters at the launching he's going to buy a villa on a Greek island for the workers too.

When he took over the firm three years ago, he said, it had an annual turnover of £300,000 (\$600,000). This year he estimates the company's volume of business will hit £4 million (\$7.2 million).

'The success of the company is all due to the efforts of the staff,' he said. 'All I do is manage the firm.'

EEC population seen declining

BRUSSELS, Aug. 7 (R) — The European Economic Community (EEC), the world's largest trading bloc, represents less than seven percent of the total world population and its share is still declining, according to an EEC study released Friday.

In mid-1979, the population of the present 10-member community totaled 269 million, more than the Soviet Union or the United States, it said. But the community's share of the world's population is still declining and will stand at slightly over six percent in 1990 when the globe will have 5.3 billion inhabitants, the study said.

According to projections, the population of West Germany, Italy, Britain and France, the EEC's four main countries, will be about the same by 1990, all between 56 and 59 million. The smallest EEC country, Luxembourg, will become still smaller in population, with a drop to 360,000 from 364,000, the study said. The survey showed that Ireland had the highest birth rate of the community in 1979.

On the other hand, the death rate was lowest in the Netherlands. The Dutch also had the longest life expectancy, with 71.9 and 78.5 years respectively for men and women.

than both London and Wall Street over the next few years.

While Western money pins hope on Tokyo, there is an apparent irony in the fact that in June Japanese investors spent a record \$1.33 billion on overseas securities. One London merchant banker specializing in the Japanese markets described the flow of money out of Japan as short-term speculation to take advantage of high U.S. interest rates. He said the yen was currently undervalued and unlikely to fall much further before returning to a position of strength.

He said all the economic pointers were in the Japanese economy's favor. Last year's 4.5 percent growth rate was higher than in other Western countries, inflation was dropping toward five percent and exports had been growing by about 25 percent a year, while imports were holding fairly steady.

Companies producing video tape recorders were booming and firms making television sets, electrical goods, machine tools and even vehicles, despite growing restrictions on their export to the West, were attractive propositions on the Tokyo stock market, the banker said. British financial investment in Japan has mushroomed since the Conservative government lifted exchange controls two years ago. 'Many British pension funds who were not investing in Tokyo in 1979 are now placing around four or five percent of their funds there, the banker said, and the figure would probably rise to 10 percent in the next few years. The U.S. was also starting to move strongly into the Japanese market and though foreign investment overall still accounted for less than six percent of the Tokyo exchange, some electrical firms were now more than 40 percent foreign owned.

BRIEFS

WASHINGTON (AFP) — The government's anti-trust suit against the giant American Telephone and Telegraph (ATT) Corporation should be settled in Congress rather than by the Justice Department, Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige said Friday. Congress is now considering a bill on the "deregulation" of the telecommunications sector. Baldrige noted that the suit was based on laws that are 83 years old.

OTTAWA (R) — Canada's national postal strike looks likely to end following Thursday night's signing of a tentative agreement between government and union negotiator. Union president Jean-Claude Parrot said his 25,000 members could be back on the job within a week if the agreement was ratified.

OSLO (AFP) — Norway's labor government has decided to impose a price freeze for the rest of the year, coupled with

tax cuts for low and medium income earners, government officials said. The move was prompted by a sharp increase in inflation. The price index for August is expected to cross the so-called "red line", automatically opening a new round of wage negotiations.

FRANKFURT (AP) — A cooperation accord between the electrotechnical firm Aeg-Telefunken, the electrical firm Bosch and TN, a computer and telephone company, might be concluded this autumn, TN official Winrich Behr said. This agreement would make possible bigger research and investment programs for TN, Behr said.

TOKYO (AFP) — The Toyota Motor Co., Japan's largest auto manufacturer, has developed what is claimed to be the world's first computer-controlled automatic transmission system, the Jiji Press Agency has reported.

Dollar zooms to smash new records

LONDON, Aug. 7 (R) — The dollar rose strongly against all major currencies except the Japanese yen on foreign exchange market Friday.

Dealers said mounting tension in Poland, where the Solidarity union plans a four-hour coal strike Friday, may have influenced the markets. In Paris, the French franc hit a 23-year low when it was fixed at 6.0680 francs, and the West German mark reached a five-year low in Frankfurt despite intervention by the country's Central Bank.

The Bundesbank sold \$121 million at the midday fix, bringing its total intervention this week to more than half a billion dollars. But the mark still dropped to 2.5325 to the dollar, sharply down from Thursday 2.5125, and its lowest point at the fix since August 1976. The pound sterling fell sharply during trading in London to \$1.7840, its lowest level for almost four years. Only the yen was able to buck the trend, closing in Tokyo at 236.30, well up on Thursday's 240 close and on Monday's bottom point when it passed 246 in New York.

LONDON, Aug. 7 (AP) — Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

London	399.75
Paris	466.44
Frankfurt	400.03
Zurich	397.50
Hong Kong	401.01

Germans to run Iraq-Aqaba route

BONN, Aug. 7 (R) — A West German company, Maschinenfabrik Augsburg-Nuernberg (MAN), said Friday it had signed a two-year contract with the Iraqi-Jordanian overland transport company to establish a transport service between Iraq and the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

MAN will supply 400 trucks for the route, along with repair facilities, offices and housing for staff. The company said the project was designed to relieve pressure on Iraq's only port, Basrah, which with an annual capacity of between six and seven million tons can handle only around a quarter of Iraq's trade requirements. The contract is worth 270 million marks (\$106 million).

London stock market

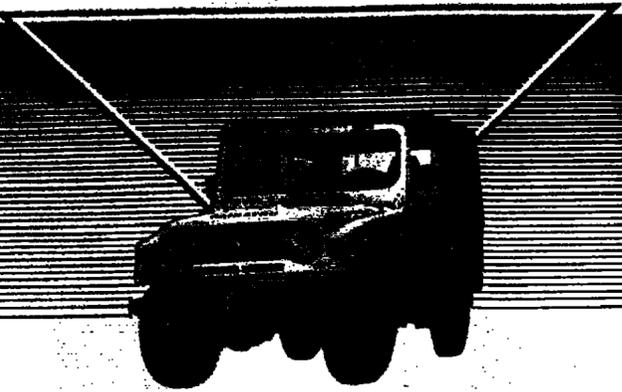
LONDON, Aug. 7 (R) — Equities ended steady in quiet trading dealers said, and at 1500 hours, the forwarding trading index was up to 0.4 at 534.8.

Gold shares ended higher although off their best levels as the bullion price eased after an overnight rally. Gains of around 100 cents were noted in heavyweight issues. Government bonds closed slightly easier on balance in slow trading following further sterling weakness, dealers said. U.S. and Canadians were mild.

Industrial leaders were mixed with a firmer bias and gains of 3p were noted in GEC, Guest Keen and Vickers, while ICI was unchanged at 274p. Gdm was active, up a net 9p 47.5p, while Racal gained 5p. Ofrex group was 10p higher at 175p following the announcement Gallaher had further increased its offer.

RTZ ended a net 2p higher at 593p, while mineral resources gave back part of an earlier 30p gain to end 20p higher at 675p. Banks and insurances were dull, and oils closed narrowly mixed with BP down 2p at 320p, while Shell added a similar amount to 402p.

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Berlin Wall: symbol of division

By Peter Miller

BERLIN — In the pre-dawn hours of Sunday, Aug. 13, 1961, soldiers and factory workers in paramilitary uniform rolled barbed wire across the center of Berlin and the cold war entered a new phase. The Berlin Wall was born.

Now, as the wall nears its 20th birthday and a chill has descended again on the detente of the 1970s, it is still a symbol of the division of Europe between East and West — a tangible example of the "Iron Curtain."

But acceptance of the wall has grown with the generation born since its conception. In its relevance to the lives of ordinary East Berliners today, the words of one woman early on Berlin's first morning as a divided city have proved prophetic.

Asked what she would miss most, she replied: "Ravioli. I used to bring two tins home for a weekend treat." The inability to buy foodstuffs and consumer goods seen nightly on West Berlin television is the East Berliner's most common complaint about the wall. East Berlin women know opening times and prices of sales at department stores they can never visit.

The East German government regards the wall as a national frontier and "Westberlin", written as one word, an anomalous foreign enclave, a base for infiltration and espionage. Street corner posters show a 1961 photograph of the Brandenburg Gate, once Germany's imperial symbol, guarded by paramilitary troops imposed on a picture of modern East German soldiers. It proclaims: "August 13, 1961 — for our security."

Meanwhile, the wall has become West Berlin's biggest tourist attraction, inspiring souvenirs ranging from postcards of the wooden crosses commemorating shot-down escapers to T-shirts emblazoned with "Berlin-Checkpoint Charlie." The wall itself is smaller than most tourists expect, mostly little over three meters (10 ft) high, but its slabs of white concrete facing West Berlin are the last hurdle for anyone attempting to cross unofficially from the East.

There are, in fact, two walls. The border zone between them is up to 200 meters wide, and ditches, anti-tank defenses, nail traps and watch towers, but no evidence of mines or automatic guns such as exist on the East-West German border.

There are however, some 260 dog runs in which large German shepherd dogs run free. Once many of the dogs ran on a long leash, but that turned out to be convenient for some escapers who used it to throttle the animals in silence. The wall weaves an eccentric circle of some 166 Km (103 miles) round West Berlin. From the air it looks like a sandy irrigation channel bounded by an innocent fence.

The border follows old administrative districts created by Prussian bureaucrats rather than military engineers, and some remarkable anomalies have resulted.

After Aug. 13, 1961, inhabitants of Steinstueken, a small area in the southwest, officially part of the Western sectors of Berlin but cut off by several hundred meters, found themselves isolated and had to go through border control even to shop. Eventually barter and negotiation secured a narrow road and rail corridor, but the wall runs close on either side.

Nearly a similar East German salient protrudes into West Berlin, and the wall bulges to incorporate it, drawing a shape like a narrow-necked goldfish bowl. One pointed salient of the wall just out from the East into the northern, French, sector of the city, cutting off a former main road in order to surround one street. It is known the shape it resembles: "The Duck's Beak."

But the most bizarre anomaly is at the westerly edge of West Berlin, where at one point the wall has doors complete with doorbells. Two tiny strips of land on the Western bank of the Havel River hold 33 garden plot and weekend cottages, bought in 1921 and still owned by West Berlin families. They are part of West Berlin, but cut off by 30 meters of East German soil.

To get to their riverside retreats, the owners have to ring a doorbell, wait for the automatic opening of the door and walk under surveillance to their houses. Fishing or swimming are not allowed. The river is East German and so are the fish.

The quirks of Berlin's division are not only geographical. The Western powers — France, Britain and the U.S. — do not recognize East Berlin as the capital of East Germany. To them it is the Soviet zone of occupied Berlin.

When allied officials cross to East Berlin by car they regard East German guards as Soviet stand-ins and refuse to let them touch their papers, but display them through closed car windows.

Although the East German government defends the wall as a bulwark of socialism against capitalist penetration, it is also aware of its propaganda value to the West.

Last year the wall was rebuilt in uniform style at Bernauer Strasse, where for 19 years housefronts, razed to one-story level, had been the wall itself. Many Western photographers had made telling use of a wire-meshed window in the wall, occasionally with curtains still fluttering.

More than 70 East Germans are known to have died trying to cross the wall. But it has succeeded in protecting East Germany from the serious social damage of a drain of able people.

In the West even the graffiti on the white concrete is milder, less polemical and more whimsical. "Made in the USSR" faded beside fresh-painted quips such as "Turn the Light On Mr. (Erich) Honecker, (East German party leader), You're the last to leave."

But to Western ears there is irony in the fact that this summer's hit in East Berlin is a left-wing song by an English rock group, entitled: "All in all you're just another brick in the wall." — (R)



U.S. cool on North-South program

By Robert Little
London Bureau

On Oct. 23 heads of state are due to assemble in the small Mexican resort town of Cancun for what many believe could be the most single momentous event in modern history. As guests of President Lopez Portillo, the purpose of this summit conference of leaders of some of the richest and poorest nations on earth will be to decide on a "framework formula" aimed at ultimately establishing a new international economic order.

Last weekend foreign ministers from 22 of those countries: Austria, Australia, Algeria, Brazil, Bangladesh, Canada, China, France, Guyana, India, Ivory Coast, Mexico, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Sweden, Tanzania, United Kingdom, United States, Venezuela, West Germany and Yugoslavia — met in Mexico for a preparatory meeting to agree an agenda and settle any procedural problems to enable the October conference to get away to a clean start.

The purpose of the October summit will be to consider what practical steps can be taken to implement some of the recommendations contained in the Brandt Commission report 'North-South: A Program for Survival'. A report that was published after two year study by prominent world figures from the richer countries of the North and

poorer countries of the South, during which many of the world's leaders were consulted for their views.

One of the greatest fears expressed by the Commission's chairman, former West German Chancellor Herr Willi Brandt, during an exclusive interview with *Ashraf Al-Awsat* last year, was that the report would be left to the various agencies of the United Nations for consideration.

Asked why this should not be left to the U.N. and its specialist agencies? Brandt replied: "It has become more and more clear that the best way of tackling difficult issues does not consist in holding a gigantic conference at which one minister after the other jauntily gets through his prepared speech, attends a few agreeable receptions and then takes the next plane home. One might just as well hand round the prepared texts and save everybody a lot of time and money."

However, during last weekend's preparatory discussions it soon became evident from the U.S. representative's lukewarm response that this was what the Reagan administration would be seeking. It was made clear that it was Secretary of State Haig's view that matters such as the transfer of economic resources to poor countries, international energy and food-growing plans, and a reform of the world's economic and monetary systems must be left to the

United Nations to resolve.

The United States point of view was taken up by the Venezuelan foreign minister, Alfredo Zambrano, who agreed with Haig and said that the October meeting "must be considered only as a forum for exchanging ideas and opinions and must not be institutionalized."

Britain also appears to follow a non-committal line. At a one-day conference in London last December to consider the Brandt report Lord Carlington told an audience of businessmen how it had "vividly brought before us the need for international action to tackle these problems."

Nonetheless he did not conceal the continuing reservations of the British government. He disagreed, he said, with the emphasis placed by the commission on the ability of governments and international organizations to correct the imbalances and injustices of wealth.

At that same meeting he devoted considerable time also to defending the Conservative government's decision to cut overseas aid from £779 million this year to £677 million in 1983-84. More than a 30% reduction when allowing for inflation.

But last weekend in Cancun both the United States and British representatives came under pressure from other industrialized countries and the Third World to take radical steps toward supporting the Brandt recommendations for a new world economic order.

Prominent among these was french foreign minister, Claude Cheysson, who said that having committed themselves to the North-South summit of leaders in October, the United States and Britain could not afford to disappoint the Third World and be held responsible for the summit's failure.

"What they are ready to do I have no idea," he said. "But it is impossible for them to do nothing." These views were echoed by the Japanese foreign minister, Takeo Sonoda, who said: "The time is over when the poor world asks the rich for money. This is now a joint problem, a global problem for all mankind. We have to resolve the problems we are facing for the sake of humanity, for the peace of the world, and for human prosperity."

Meanwhile, at the half-yearly meeting of the OPEC Fund for International Development a few weeks earlier in Quito, Ecuador, under the chairmanship of Dr. Mahsoon Jalal, it was reported by the director-general of the Fund, Dr. Ibrahim Shihata, that a further 22 underdeveloped countries had benefited from interest-free aid loans to the value of \$166 million since the beginning of the year.

OPEC Fund loans are in addition to the direct aid support schemes administered by individual OPEC-member countries such as Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Algeria etc.

Dr. Shihata reported that as a result of the Fund's cumulative loans since its commencement in 1977, disbursements to the value of \$1,070 million had been made. In addition to this the Governing Board at its Quito meeting approved the utilization of a further \$9.274 million for local development projects in the Seychelles, Upper Volta and Maldives Islands.

New grants were also approved totalling nearly \$5 million, including \$3 million for the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). The United Nations Interim Fund for Science and Technology Development (UNIFSTD) is to receive a grant of almost 1 million dollars for science and technology projects in four countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

'Reaganomics' sweeps Congress

By Michael Posner

WASHINGTON — President Reagan's triumph in Congress with a sweeping economic program of tax and spending cuts may signal the closing chapter of America's 50-year-old experiment with liberal social policies.

The president describes his achievement as a dramatic shift from government expansion started by his one-time idol, Franklin Roosevelt, with his "new deal" in the 1930s depression. But opposition Democrats say Reagan's spending cuts could cause unrest among the poor and his huge tax cuts unrivaled inflation in years ahead.

In spectacular fashion, Reagan steamrollered opposition Democrats who control the House of Representatives to push through his economic philosophy which has been dubbed "Reaganomics." The crowning blow came Tuesday when Congress approved unprecedented tax cuts totalling a record \$749 billion up to 1986. The cuts are brought

by a 25 percent income tax rate reduction fully effective after the third year.

Earlier, Congress approved huge spending cuts that will dismantle programs for welfare, health care, school lunches, education, legal services, public construction and public jobs.

Reagan says his tax cuts program will free money for the private economy, describing it this way last week before an Atlanta audience: "We are on the road that leads to growth and opportunity, to increasing productivity and an increasing standard of living for everyone. It was a road once that led to the driveway of a home that could be afforded by all kinds of Americans, not just the affluent."

Reagan says his plan will reduce high levels of interest rates, but private economists, money market experts and Democratic critics say inflation and interest rates will remain high because of the tax cuts and continued large federal budget deficits. Reagan sees the economy rebounding to produce enough federal revenues to offset the tax cut reductions as well as to pay for increased defense spending he has planned.

A private analyst, Henry Kaufman, a respected economist for the Wall Street brokerage house of Salomon Brothers, said: "There is hope by everyone, including the treasury, that interest rates will come down. But you cannot talk interest rates down, no matter what President Reagan thinks." He said the economic policies of the administration were overburdening the Federal Reserve Board, the central bank, encouraging tighter money while expanding the money supply through tax cuts.

But Reagan said his victory in Congress was not just an economic victory. "It's a victory for our political system," he said, stemming from his election last November by voters urging a reversal of 50 years of government programs. "The federal government is overloaded, muscle-bound, if you will, having assumed more responsibilities than it can properly manage," he said a week ago. — (R)

CRYING WOLF!

The news from Washington is that Presidents Reagan and Sadat dealt in some detail with the problem posed by the "growing presence" of the Soviet Union in the Middle East.

Raising such an issue, and in such apparent urgency, caused some surprise for observers of the international scene, especially those who have been keeping an eye on the Middle East. Up to the time of writing, Turkey has reported no Soviet incursion, Greece is yet to be invaded, Iran and Pakistan it appears, remain unmolested.

True, the Soviets are in both Afghanistan and Ethiopia — but that is hardly new, and in any case one could only call such countries "Middle Eastern" by extension. Also, the Soviets there, as is well known, are having a great deal of trouble in their attempts to remain.

As for the rest, there are still the same old "understandings" between the Soviet Union and Syria and South Yemen, in addition to Libya. It has, on the other hand, been argued that the Russians, lost considerable political ground in Iraq, as the result of the war between that country and Iran.

Some time before that, of course, the Soviet Union had an even more dramatic loss: It was Sadat himself who ended the "growing presence" of the Soviet Union in Egypt.

Why are the two leaders, then, crying "wolf"? One significant detail is the timing of such warnings with the discussions over stationing of American troops in the Sinai, as well as the formation of the American Rapid Deployment Force specifically for intervention.

Arabs fight extradition

By Peter Pringle

WASHINGTON — At a delicate time in American-Israeli relations, Arab Americans have stepped up their campaign to fight the extradition to Israel of a 21-year old Palestinian accused of resisting Zionist occupation. For two years, Ziad Ahsani has been sitting in a Chicago jail while lawyers and State Department officials have argued over his case. It has now gone to the Supreme Court and is posing a serious diplomatic problem.

The Israeli government has produced evidence from an alleged accomplice who confessed, under interrogation, that Ziad had planted the Tiberias bomb. But Ziad's lawyers challenged the confession. For one thing it is in Hebrew, a language the alleged accomplice does not read, speak or understand. For another, the confession was made after weeks in custody and has been twice recanted.

Ziad has produced 11 affidavits saying he spent the day of the bombing in his home town of Ramallah, a four-hour drive from Tiberias. The affidavits are from Ziad's father and brother, four workers in the family factory, a lawyer, two doctors and the president of the Ramallah Islamic Club. But a U.S. district court in Illinois refused to allow the affidavits to be admitted when it decided that there was "probable cause" to believe Ziad was guilty. Bail has been refused although 10 families have offered a total of one million dollars as surety.

The Supreme Court will study two precedents. The first was a Yugoslav request in 1951 for the extradition of a Croatian accused of ordering the murder of civilians in 1941-2 during the short-lived Ustachi regime. After eight years of litigation the request was denied. Whether or not the Croatian had committed the crimes, the ruling said, what he had done was of a political character and therefore not extraditable under the treaty.

The second precedent in the case of Peter McMullen, a Provisional IRA member wanted for the bombing of army barracks in 1974. The British government requested his extradition but the federal district court in San Francisco decided the offenses were political and refused.

Ziad's supporters claim that the State Department now wants to use his case as a means of avoiding a repetition of the McMullen ruling. They point out that a State Department assistant legal adviser, Louis Fields, has already given the government view that the Tiberias bombing should not fall under the "political offense" exception in the extradition treaty.

If the Supreme Court accepts the case, a hearing will probably be held next spring. If the court turns down the plea, Secretary of State Alexander Haig will have to decide whether to go ahead with extradition.



Innocent slaughtered fighting communism

By Bob Rivard

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (LAT) — The Reagan administration, expressing a sudden interest in a long-ignored region, decided that El Salvador is where the United States would draw the line. This tiny country packed tight with five million people would be a proving ground against Fidel Castro and the export of communism.

Though the administration insists that the issue is "us versus them," to the ordinary people of El Salvador the issue is internal repression. It is a repression so brutal and pervasive it is difficult to understand unless you see it first hand.

Matters more basic than political beliefs occupy the people of El Salvador. Foremost is the right to life. It has become less a right than a privilege. The military has run the country, without free elections, in varying degrees since 1932 when a popular uprising was put down by Gen. Maximiliano Hernandez Martinez. Thirty-thousand peasants were slaughtered in one of the great blood baths of Central American history. A number approaching that figure has been killed since the current government came to power.

Human-rights groups estimate that between 22,000 and 25,000 civilians have been murdered since October 1979, the date of the last military coup. More than 9,000 of those killed have died this year, and of those, more than 1,000 were kidnapped from their homes during curfew hours, a time when only the military and internal security forces are on the streets.

Civilian Toll Greatest

The military, and sanctioned right-wing death squads made up of retired and off-duty soldiers, are exacting a far greater toll against the civilians than they are against the guerrillas. Even the embassy figures there are no more than 4,000 active guerrillas and 4,000 sometime guerrillas, so that the killing of 9,000 guerrillas would have more than wiped out the entire force.

Almost everyone here, including the U.S.

U.S. immigration, amnesty proposals widely criticized

By Charles R. Babcock

WASHINGTON (WP) — Criticism of the administration's immigration policy proposals are growing outside interest groups are attacking the restrictions on amnesty for millions of illegal aliens and the immediate plans for stopping boatloads of Haitians on the high seas.

The amnesty proposal would require illegals to be here 10 years before qualifying for permanent residence, and departs from tradition by requiring that amnesty-seekers demonstrate an English-language capability, pay all taxes but not be eligible for all benefits, and not bring in their families.

Sarah Campos, a spokesman for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund, said that her group considered the whole legalization plan discriminatory because of the restrictions. "It's unprecedented," she said. "There's never been an English-language requirement for a permanent resident alien. The poor person from Mexico or a Third World country is not going to have the education to learn English." There is a language requirement for citizenship.

Rev. Kenneth J. Stump of the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service said the strict requirements for legalization were "a bit of flag-waving" by the administration. The language requirement, he said, seems designed to answer resentment of foreigners by some citizens.

Benjamin R. Civiletti, attorney general for the last 16 months of the Carter administration and co-chairman of a bipartisan Citizens Committee On Immigration Reform, said the restrictions made the amnesty plan "self-defeating."

"It's got to be a simple, quick plan," he said, "or people will say 'why go through 10 years of purgatory? I'm living fine now.'"

Frank Hodsell, a White House aide who coordinated much of the work on the proposal, said that the restrictions were included because of the illegal past of those who would be seeking amnesty.

"We have made more hurdles for them than we would for someone who waited in line in Guatemala or Mexico City for legal entry," he said.

Civiletti and Rep. Shirley Chisholm, D-N.Y., speaking for the Congressional Black Caucus, told a Senate hearing that they opposed the administration's plans to have the coast guard stop and board vessels bound to the United States from Haiti.

Thomas O. Enders, Assistant Secretary of State for Latin American Affairs, told the hearing that the interdiction would start as soon as final approval from the Haitian government is worked out.

Civiletti said that interdiction was considered and rejected during the flood of Cubans and Haitians to Florida last year. He said the action was rejected because the coast guard feared it would result in loss of life. Chisholm called the proposal a return to "gunboat diplomacy."

Dental chemical is developed eliminating drilling, pain

By a Science Correspondent

LONDON (LP) — A new chemical will spray away tooth decay just a press of a button, marking a farewell to dental drills and the pain they inflict.

Doctors at the Tufts Dental School in Boston, Massachusetts have developed GK-101, a substance that is sprayed from a nozzle onto a cavity. Within a few minutes, the decayed part of the tooth crumbles and flakes away and the patient simply rinses his mouth with a disinfectant and spits out the decayed remains.

ambassador, agrees that the Salvadoran government would fall without American backing. That leaves the United States in the position of supporting an almost indiscriminate slaughter in the name of stopping a political ideology.

The policy has a built-in, self-defeating side: As long as the United States props up the military regime while winking at the civilian purge, the internal struggle will continue: Increased repression increases the resolve of the repressed.

Howard Lane, the U.S. embassy's chief press spokesman, conceded the point in an interview.

"The national guard in this country is the best friend communism has," he said.

A lay worker said, "I would say the violence and the atrocity practiced by the military is a measure of the depth and degree of the people's commitment to the conflict."

Msr. Ricardo Urioste, the vicar general of San Salvador said, "Reagan's suggestion that he has seen change, if you will pardon me, is an example of ingenuity that enables him to turn things inside out."

U.S. Aid Prolong Violence

Another irony of American policy is that U.S. military aid prolongs the internal struggle, while no one is winning any war against communism. The war against the guerrillas is stalemated. While they cannot muster the support to overturn the government, the government cannot wipe them out.

The war being fought in El Salvador began as a popular uprising of the oppressed, which is almost everyone, against the oligarchy of wealthy coffee farmers who — until their self-exile to Miami — ran the country along with the military.

Euphemistically known as Los Castores, or the fourteen, they were a snug coterie of 100 to 200 families who were the landed aristocracy in a country whose real wealth lay in its export crops, namely coffee. While a minute percentage of the population controlled a large majority of the tillable land, and the export income, the per capita income of a Salvadoran in 1978 was \$635.

The fortress-like walls constructed of foot-thick masonry that surround the mansions of the upper class and hide them from the poor symbolize the disparity.

Historically, in countries where hunger is a way of life, where land and wealth are in the hands of a few, and where harsh military regimes are supported by right wing oligarchies to maintain the status quo, it should come as no surprise that socialism, like a climbing vine, squeezes through the first crack in the wall and takes root with the people.

Foreign Involvement

Among the working class, the idea of Cuba and Nicaragua entering the fray is no different than the realization that the United States has involved itself. Either way, it's foreigners. At least the socialists speak Spanish.

Meanwhile, the repression is working in some aspects. While its inhumanity may create a resolve to continue the resistance, at the same time it has effectively dismantled institutional opposition.

The Roman Catholic Church is no longer the strong institutional force confronting the military and its deeds. With the March 1980 assassination of Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero, a strong voice against the repression, the church has drifted.

The mood among the clergy ranges from grim to paranoia. They agree that the church would quickly regain strength if the United States would demand it. But the Salvadoran clergy haven't even heard from the Vatican. Pope John Paul II has been outspoken about politics in his native Poland but silent on the subject of the unsolved murder of the Salvadoran archbishop and Romero's replacement. As a result, there is little expectation that the United States will show any interest.

"How can that be when the United States doesn't even demand an answer in the deaths of its own nuns and workers?" said one observer, referring to the death of six Americans in El Salvador. Those responsible for the murders have been tentatively identified, but the likelihood of trials is remote.

In fact, U.S. officials seem disinterested in such details, the same as there seems to be no interest in telling the American people about the bigger picture. While it can be argued into the right who is fighting who, and for what, there are other issues — civilian death toll aside — with a much clearer focus.

From a visitor's first day, it is clear that El Salvador is a country in the grip of the military. The presence of a few Christian Democrats in the junta seems to be window dressing enabling U.S. officials to tell the American public that we are backing a civilian government.

The country is in an official state of siege. Soldiers slouch on every busy street corner. The constitution has been abridged in ever imaginable form. Union membership is discouraged. The right to gather in public, to speak freely, do not exist.

The American public cannot get a good view of what we commonly refer to as the "Salvadoran military." It is less than a professional army. The soldiers are uneducated and untrained boys, the officers often no better, just a few years older. Discipline is a joke; soldiers play with their weapons like puppies wrestling with a stick, and have a complete disregard for the civilians they are supposed to protect.

Because the procedure is painless, no anesthesia is necessary. GK-101 only works on the decayed part of the tooth; the healthy portion of the tooth remains intact.

In some cases where the cavity is inside the tooth, a small amount of drilling may be necessary to expose the decay so that the chemical can work, explain the researchers.

Tests of GK-101 have proved successful, and the substance now only await U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval.



AIR SHOE: Jogging and track performance could be improved with the use of a running shoe which features an air-inflatable sole. The shoe's sole blows up like the inner tube of a tire and in use densens shock waves suffered by the lower limbs. This development also provides better protection for the foot, particularly the Achilles' tendon. "Our research has brought us to the conclusion that a strengthened sole which closely fits the shape of the foot enables most of the locomotive troubles of the lower limbs to be avoided in advance," explained Antoine Muzgenis, managing director of TBS, an Eram subsidiary. Another shoe innovation made recently by this firm is an "air-intake shoe" with a valve in the sole that sucks in outside air to provide a ventilated sports shoe. The suction is provided naturally by the movement of the foot.

D.C. landmark threatened as lawyer, developer fight

By Clyde H. Penn Jr.

WASHINGTON (WP) — On the night of Aug. 24, 1814, British Adm. George Cockburn sat by a second-story window in Rhodes Tavern, a substantial structure two blocks from the White House, and blew out the candles on his dinner table.

"I'd rather dine by the light emerging from the presidential palace," Cockburn said as he watched the mounting flames in the White House. Redcoats he had led had set the fires in a raid on Washington that marked Britain's most spectacular land victory in the War of 1812.

Today, the White House is still around and so is Rhodes Tavern. But the tavern may not last long.

The dingy 182-year-old structure, where presidents, members of Congress and others of high and low degree have dined and debated over the years, is threatened with demolition unless Joseph Grano wins his fight to save it.

Grano, a 32-year-old lawyer, is chairman of the Citizens Committee To Save Historic Rhodes Tavern, a virtually one-man effort to keep the structure from falling victim to the developer's wrecking ball.

"Rhodes Tavern tells the history of Washington from the growth of a little village on a swamp to a city that has become the world's capital," Grano said. "Rhodes Tavern is of national significance. It should be saved."

Oliver T. Carr, a developer who has been changing Washington's skyline with his "superblocks" of new structures, has other plans for the plot of land Rhodes Tavern occupies. Carr has begun construction of metropolitan square, a \$100 million office, hotel and shopping mall complex.

Plans for the complex call for demolishing the building unless someone agrees to move it. "The publicly approved plans do not include the Tavern," Carr said. "We will keep our minds open to two options: demolition or removal."

For three years, Grano has been fighting to keep the stucco-covered structure from being torn down. So far, the results have disappointed him.

He has lost five year major battles: two with the District of Columbia City Council, one with the District of Columbia Superior Court, and two with the court of appeals. The decisions have been identical: Rhodes Tavern would leave a "gaping tooth" in the design of Carr's "superblock" and should be moved or torn down.

"I can't understand why no one can wake up to the fact that Rhodes Tavern is the cradle of home rule for the District of Columbia," Grano said. "Since I can't seem to convince D.C. officials of the significance, I am going to make a concerted effort to make the entire nation aware of our fight. Someone will come to our defense."

A federal advisory group, the U.S. Commission On Fine Arts, has approved the developer's plan to raze the Tavern. J. Carter Brown, chairman of the commission, said, "the poor little beat-up derelict is a sadness from the urban design point of view" and if saved would be "the rotten tooth in the smile

of 15th street."

"I can't understand why the emphasis is on the ugliness of the building," Grano said. "I'm not devoting my time to keeping the building in its present condition. I want it to be preserved and restored."

The battle over Rhodes Tavern is similar to clashes in cities across the nation as downtowns, after years of neglect and decay, are beginning to attract new waves of development that threaten historic buildings.

Developers contend that many of the aging buildings have little architectural value and should be leveled to make room for modern structures.

Saving the rain forests protectionists main goal

By John Chadwick

GLUND, Switzerland, (R) — World wildlife protectionists are to make the preservation of the tropical rain forests, biggest genetic reservoir of the planet's animal and plant life, their major goal for the rest of this century. The huge and still relatively unexplored forests of Brazil and Indonesia will be key target areas for the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) in its second 20 year campaign it said.

In a statement marking the Swiss-based organization's 20th birthday, its president, Britain's Duke of Edinburgh, said "We are facing an escalation of environmental damage on an unprecedented scale.

"It is not a case of nature or man. If nature does not survive, neither will man. In the early days it was possible to prevent the exploitation of the Orang-Utan for example. Today the whole tropical rain forest ecosystem which is home to the Orang-Utan is under threat."

WWF director-general Charles De Haes said: "The world's tropical rain forests are being cut down at a rate of 20 hectares a minute. We are losing one more animal, plant or insect species every 10 minutes. Approximately a million different species will be gone by the year 2000."

WWF officials described the tropical rain forests of Amazonia and Indonesia and other areas as "a vast, largely untapped genetic reservoir, home to perhaps half of all the plant, animal and insect species on earth."

They said forest clearance had resulted in the destruction of watersheds, increasing erosion, drought and flooding. Billions of tons of valuable soil were being washed out to estuaries every year, silting up and destroying the nursery grounds of fish.

Local climates were affected by such rapid changes in vegetation cover. "Forty-three percent of the earth's land surface is already desert or semi-desert and a further 19 percent could soon become so, a condition

aggravated by deforestation."

The Duke of Edinburgh said in his statement the next 20 years would be even more critical than the two past decades. "We have a responsibility for all life on this planet, for its sake as well as our own."

The biggest WWF projects will be Brazil and Indonesia. In Amazonia, the rivers break their banks every year, flooding 10 million hectares (more than four and a half million acres) of the forested plains.

Fish swim among the forest trees, feeding on seeds and fruit and dispersing the seeds to germinate throughout the vast Amazon basin. Fish-eating fish such as the piranha and catfish fatten in turn on the fruit-eating fish.

A survey is being conducted to study ways of protecting this fish forest cycle before it is permanently broken down by deforestation, the WWF said. Some 200,000 species of fish have been stored in a special fish museum and the stomach contents of some 10,000 of these are being analysed to determine the nature of the food chain.

A wildlife fund official said: "The Amazon has the most diverse range of piscivorous (fish-eating) species of any freshwater system in the world and at least 300 fish species and countless plant species are tied together in the cycle."

"The cycle could be interrupted by the cutting down of the Amazonian forest. One result would be a total collapse of the area's fish production, so important to local people."

In Indonesia, the WWF said, forests exceptionally rich in natural species were being felled at "an alarming rate." The organization plans to set up a 93,500-hectare (more than 40,000-acre) national park on the island of Sulawesi (formerly Celebes).

The WWF said Indonesian forests and especially Sulawesi were outstanding in the number of endemic species they supported. Unique types of wild buffalo and black monkeys were among the animals threatened.

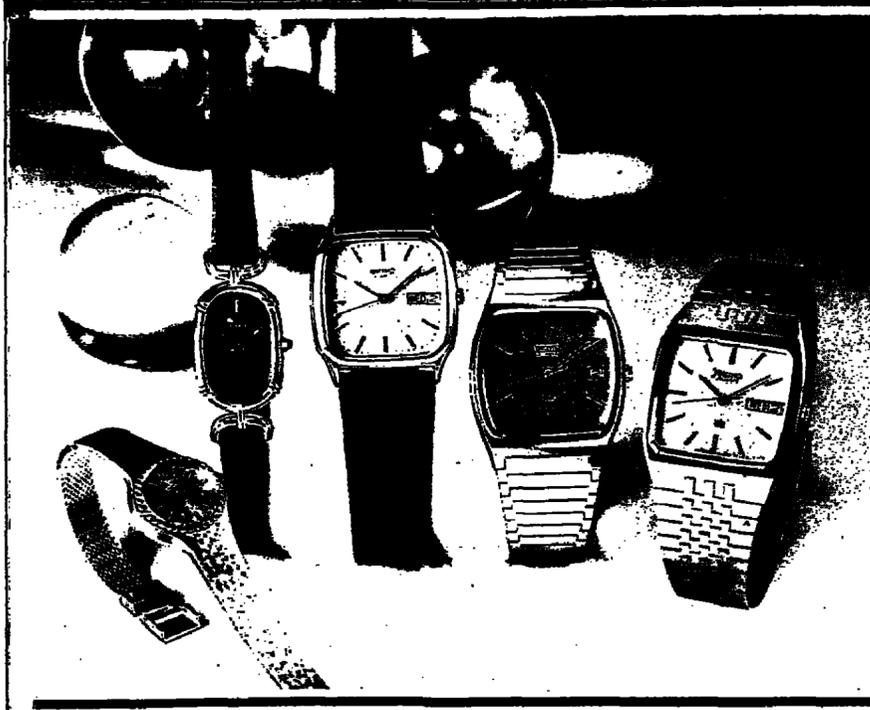
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U.S. baseball resumes Monday

Owners bless split-season plan

CHICAGO, Aug. 7 (AP) — Major league owners voted 21-5 Thursday to endorse a split season when play resumes Monday. The National League vote was 9-3, and the American League approved the plan by a 12-2 majority.

Under the system, teams in first place in their respective divisions when the strike began will meet the winners of the second season. If a first-half winner also wins the second half, that team will meet the division contender with the second-highest percentage during both halves of the season.

Both presidents, Chub Fenney of the National League and Lee MacPhail of the American League, insisted the split-season plan is for the 1981 season only. "Normally, I wouldn't be for it," MacPhail said. "But this is a one-shot deal, and only because of the strike problems and the unbalanced season."

MacPhail said he and Fenney would determine the structure of the pre-championship playoffs and which teams would get the home field advantage. "If a team wins both halves of the season, it would definitely be afforded the home advantage," MacPhail said. "This means the League Championship and the World Series will be

pushed back one week."

Ruly Carpenter of the Philadelphia Phillies said: "It was a very simple vote and concurred with the basic agreement. The fact that three of our clubs voted against it shows merely that there was a lot of good, hard discussion."

Carpenter refused to divulge the identity of the three NL clubs voting against the split-season concept. It was not known which AL clubs voted against the concept, but a safe guess would be that one of them was the Chicago White Sox.

"Obviously, Jerry (Reinsdorf, chairman of the Board of the White Sox) and I are disappointed," said Eddie Einhorn, president of the White Sox. "A lot of people thought the way the agreement (with the players) was phrased left the formula for the second half open."

Einhorn proposed that the winners of the second half play the team with the next best record in all of 1981.

One of the NL clubs that undoubtedly opposed the split season was the Cincinnati Reds. Dick Wagner of the Reds said: "I guess we'll have to call the winners of the first half 'designated winners'. The fans in our area

are against it, and we are violently against it. I can give you 15 or 20 good reasons, and you can start with the integrity factor. "There might be circumstances where a team that has already won might be in a position to determine its playoff opponent."

Both leagues claimed they had only two choices: Either continue the season or split it. Prior to the meetings, Calvin Griffith, owner of the Minnesota Twins, said: "Splitting the season is the only thing you can do. "We're 18 games behind, and if we don't split the season, we might as well not open our gates."

As indicated by the votes, most team owners held Griffith's opinion. "I'll tell you this," said Yankees owner George Steinbrenner.

"Any of the Yankees who don't put out will read about it on the front page. Our players had better be thinking about that second half even more strongly — because they know what I'll say the next morning."

"I voted to approve because I think it will build interest. In that respect, it was a good answer but the only problem I have with it is that if the same team wins both halves, they should not be penalized," Steinbrenner said.

The Yankees boss was asked if he had heard any sentiment opposing the split season. He said he hadn't heard any from American League owners. "This will benefit the teams in second and third," he said.

Steinbrenner said he came into the meeting willing "to go either way," but sentiment already was weighted heavily in favor of a split season. The split season decision came about 1½ hours after both the National and American Leagues had ratified the basic agreement, which last Friday ended the crippling, 50-day strike.

Ray Grebey, chief negotiator for the owners and director of the player relations committee, said the vote was 21 in favor and two against, with three clubs passing. Grebey refused to divulge the breakdown, but it was learned that St. Louis and Cincinnati, both of the NL, voted against ratification. It was not known which teams passed.

The Major League Players Association executive committee last Saturday unanimously approved ratification of the strike-ending agreement. Then it took the matter to the individual players, and teams have been announcing their votes during the week. On Wednesday, the players reached a majority for ratification.

Prior to the voting on the split season, the NL announced it had approved the sale of the Chicago Cubs by the William Wrigley Co. to Tribune Co. of Chicago for \$20.5 million. The vote was unanimous. The matter will now go to the stockholders Aug. 28 for a vote, which is expected to be a mere formality.

South African tour

Aussie Board warns stars

SYDNEY, Aug. 7 (AP) — The Australian Cricket Board warned players here Friday they would jeopardize their Test careers if they took part in a proposed unofficial tour of South Africa. In a strongly-worded statement, the Board said it could neither undertake nor approve any tour of South Africa.

The statement was issued in response to reports that South African business interests were attempting to organize a tour of the Republic by an international team in October and November.

The Board said it was aware that Australian players may be approached to go on the tour. "Members of the team at present touring England and all players in Australia who played first class cricket last season have been advised of the Board's policy," the statement said.

"Not only would the Board expect players to observe their contractual obligations, but any player taking part in a tour of South Africa may well risk his chances of future selection for Australia."

The statement also emphasized the additional risk of what it called "harming Australia's position in international cricket." It stressed the Board's policy over South Africa was quite clear in view of fact that the Australian government subscribed to the

1977 Gleneagles agreement. "The Board respects the government's policy and will neither undertake nor approve of any cricket tour of South Africa," the statement said.

In Brisbane, former Test captain Greg Chappell said Thursday a busy season at home this summer would prevent him playing in South Africa if he were invited.

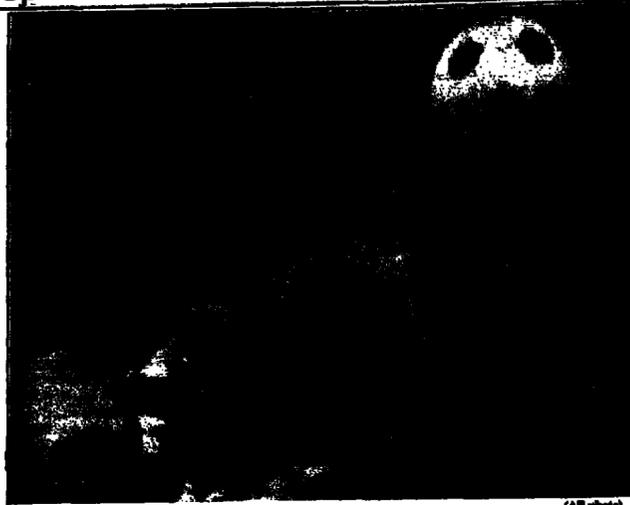
It is understood that the South African businessmen are offering up to 100,000 Australian dollars (\$117,000) to leading cricketers to play in a series of matches there.

Overseas reports said Jeff Thomson, Dennis Lillee, Rod Marsh, Kim Hughes and Greg Chappell could expect to receive TV money with the average offer in the 30,000 Australian dollar range.

"I have not received an offer although I have no objection in principle to playing in South Africa," Chappell said.

Chappell said he would regard any offer strictly as a business proposition, but he would also take into account the position of the Australian government and the possible problems caused by the scheduling of World XI matches.

"I've played in South Africa before and I'd play there again. But the timing of the tour has fairly well ruled me out because of cricket commitments at home," Chappell said.



TWO AGAINST ONE: New York Cosmos' Giorgio Chinaglia (left) and John Neeskens together with Jacksonville Tea Men's Jack Carmichael leap for the ball during the North American Soccer League match during the weekend. Cosmos lost the match 1-2 which Chinaglia, the top scorer of the League, scoring the only goal for Cosmos.

Meets Mel Purcell

Clerc makes last eight

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 7 (AP) — defending champion Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina, winning his 22nd consecutive match since Wimbledon, beat Andres Gomez 7-6, 6-3 Thursday night in the third round of the U.S. Open Clay Court Tennis Tournament.

The victory sent the second-seeded Clerc into the men's quarterfinals Friday night against fifth-seeded Mel Purcell. Clerc beat Purcell 7-5, 6-3 for the Clay Court Championship a year ago.

Purcell scored his third-round victory over Spain's Gabriel Urpi. Purcell lost the first set 6-7 but whipped Urpi 6-1 and was leading 5-4 in the third set when Urpi was unable to continue due to a leg cramp.

"He's a good player," Clerc said of Purcell. "I beat him (in the third round of the Volvo International Tournament at North Conway, New Hampshire, last week, and I'm just going to try to beat him again." Purcell, who has never won a set in three matches against Clerc, said, "I just hope I'm ready."

In women's singles, top-seeded Andrea Jaeger turned back a tired Sue Barker 6-1, 6-7, 6-2 to advance to a semifinal showdown against No. 3 Mima Jausovec. Jausovec, meanwhile, held off an ailing Anne Smith on match point six times and rallied to a 4-6, 6-1, 7-5 victory in their quarterfinal match.

In the other two women's quarterfinals, No. 2 Virginia Ruzici downed Susan Mascari

rin 6-3, 0-6, 7-5, and No. 4 Regina Marisikova beat Hana Strachonova 6-3, 6-1. The two semifinals will be played on Friday.

"I've played Mima a few times, so I'm not really pondering about what to do," the 16-year-old Jaeger said of her upcoming match against the 25-year-old Yugoslavian. "I'll just go out and play the best that I can and see what happens."

Smith, seeded eighth, took leads of 4-1 and 5-2 in the third set against Jausovec before a painful cramp severely hobbled her. Jausovec was able to play a cautious game after that, keeping the ball in play while Smith missed shot after shot.

"The whole third set I couldn't even feel my legs, to the point I was almost sick," said Smith, 22. "I just kept telling myself to keep going, keep going."

Her left leg "started really cramping at 5-4, and I couldn't do anything after that. She knew it then. Once she knew it, she didn't miss a ball and I started missing," Smith said.

The men's No. 1 seed, Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia, advanced to the quarterfinals with an easy 6-2, 6-1 third-round victory over Shlomo Glickstein. Lendl's opponent on Friday will be Jose-Luis Damiani, the No. 10 seed from Uruguay who upset No. 6 Jose Higueras 6-0, 6-4 in another third-round match.

Teacher stages splendid rally to oust Lloyd

GROVE CITY, Ohio, Aug. 7 (AP) — Top-seeded Brian Teacher finished strong to defeat John Lloyd in second round play of the \$75,000 National Revenue Tennis Classic here Thursday.

Teacher won 12 straight points to take three straight games and win the third set, which gave him a 6-7, 6-3, 6-4 triumph over Lloyd.

In the other singles match in Thursday's play, which was interrupted by rain for three hours, John Austin defeated Bernie Milton 6-1, 6-2. "I guess I was feeling a little lazy out there in the first set," Teacher said. "Then I started concentrating and things started to come my way."

Lloyd, husband of Chris Evert-Lloyd, the current Wimbledon women's singles champion, played his best tennis of the tournament. But he could not cope with Teacher's increased pressure in the final two sets, particularly in the final three games.

Hank Pfister, fighting off his pains, rallied in the third set Thursday evening to defeat sixth-seeded Tom Gullickson 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

The Top-seeded doubles team of Bob Lutz and Stan Smith were upset by the Amritraj brothers, Vijay and Anand, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2.

Williams replaces Davies

Meanwhile, South African Owen Williams is to become executive director of World Championship Tennis (WCT), the organization of Texan millionaire Lamar Hunt.

A former Davis Cup player, director of the United States Open in 1968 and well known tennis promoter, Williams will take up his new post on September 1.

He replaces Mike Davies who retired in May shortly after WCT announced it was quitting Grand Prix Tennis.

County cricket ties washed out

LONDON, Aug. 7 (AP) — Thunderstorms flooded English cricket grounds Thursday and washed out all scheduled play.

The Na West trophy quarterfinals match between Leicestershire and Northamptonshire at Leicester was still held up. It was halted by bad light Wednesday with Northamptonshire in sight of victory, having scored 207 for 4 in reply to Leicestershire's 227. Northamptonshire has nine of the allotted 60 overs left.

Meanwhile, fast bowler Geoff Lawson returns to the Australian team when they play Essex in a three-day match starting at Chelmsford Saturday.

Lawson missed the fourth Test with a strained muscle in his back, if he proves his fitness, he is almost certain to return to the Test team at Old Trafford on Thursday.

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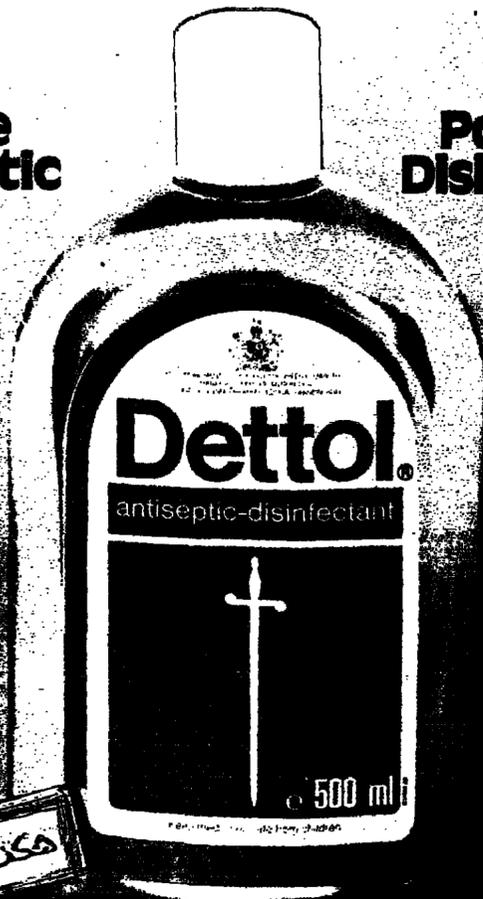
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Trevino disqualified Underdogs dazzle on opening day of PGA National

DULUTH, Georgia, Aug. 7 (AP) — Bob Murphy took the early lead with a 4-under-par 66. Lee Trevino was disqualified and a thunderstorm held up play for 55 minutes Thursday in the first round of the 63rd PGA National Championship.

About half the field of 148 scurried from the long, difficult Atlanta Athletic Club course when rain squalls and lightning forced a suspension of play.

Trevino was disqualified, rules committee chairman Bill Clarke announced, for failing to sign his scorecard after shooting a 4-over-par 74.

"It was an innocent error," Clarke said. "He said it was the first time this had happened in his career. But, under the rules of golf, we had no option but to disqualify him."

Trevino, a former PGA champion and twice the winner of both the British and U.S. Opens, played in the same group with Tom Weiskopf. They inadvertently signed each other's cards in the space provided for the player himself to sign.

Trevino left the scorer's tent before the error was discovered. Weiskopf, who remained in the tent after Trevino had left, was advised of the error, and signed correctly. "It's my fault, nobody's fault but mine," Trevino said. "I failed to sign my card."

Among the early finishers, the veteran Murphy held a 1-stroke lead over longshot Mark Lye, a non-winner in his fifth year of tour activity, who had a 67.

Andy North, a former U.S. Open winner who has been a runner-up in his last two starts, was next at 68. Lon Hinkle and Roger Maltbie at 69s. Some of golf's more illustrious names — including Tom Watson — were placed well back in the field.

Jack Nicklaus, the defending title-holder who is seeking a record sixth PGA title, was among the late starters. Others with late tee times were Tom Kite, Jerry Pate, John Mahaffey, Australian Greg Norman and Hale Irwin.

Murphy, who scored the last of his four

tour victories more than six years ago, didn't make a bogey and saved his effort with a 12-foot (4-meter) second putt on the 18th hole. "That's what you do when you shoot 61; you save it somewhere," Murphy said.

But such worthies as Watson, Arnold Palmer and U.S. Open champion David Graham were unable to save it.

Palmer, the 51-year-old living legend who last month won the U.S. seniors championship, was making a run at the leaders in this, the only major title that has eluded him, until he ran into disaster on the last two holes. Palmer was even par standing on the 17th tee, but got in the water on the last two holes. He finished double bogey-double bogey and had a 74.

Watson, the current Masters champion and outstanding player in the game for the past four years, and Graham were another shot back a 75. Watson bogeyed his last three holes and Graham played the back nine in a fat 40.

The early finishers at 70, even par, included veteran Don January, Fuzzy Zoeller, Bruce Lietzke, Mark Hayes, Lanny Wadkins, J.C. Snead, Dave Stockton, Gil Morgan and Greg Powers.

British Open champion Bill Rogers shot a 72. Some other early scores included Ray Floyd's 71 and Ben Crenshaw's 75.

Murphy, a consistent money-winner in his 14 years on the tour, was among the first to finish and said the early players "definitely got a break. The golf course was wet, and it played about 9,000 yards long. But, being wet, the ball wouldn't run out of the fairway. If the fairways were dry and hard and the ball was running into the rough, you just couldn't get there."

Kuzmin beats Torre to snatch top spot

BANGALORE, India Aug. 7 (AP) — Grandmaster Gennady Kuzmin of the Soviet Union shot into the lead at the International Chess Congress here on Thursday, beating Eugene Torre of the Philippines in 25 moves in the eleventh round.

Grandmaster Torre, 30, who had been leading since the start of the tournament, said later: "I played a bad opening and Kuzmin dominated in very good squares. He was very strong." The Russian now has 8.5 points against Torre's 7.5 with two more rounds to go.

Indonesian champion Edhi Handoko pulled a major upset beating second-placed Prajin Thipsay of India. Handoko unleashed a penetrating king-side attack and humbled the Indian in just 20 moves.

Two other eleventh round games — grandmaster Miroslav Filip of Czechoslovakia versus Hans Ree of the Netherlands and Filipino Rosendo Balinas versus Indian T.N. Paraswasaran also ended in draws.

West German wins

CONSTANCE, West Germany, Aug. 7 (AFP) — West German Dietrich Thurau won the fourth stage of the Tour of West Germany Cycle Race here Friday the 227.5 kilometers (about 151 miles) from Villingen-Schwenningen to Constance. Alf Segersall of Sweden was in second place.

Placings: 1. Dietrich Thurau (W. Germany) 5h47:31, 2. Alf Segersall (Sweden), 3. Freddy Maertens (Belgium), 4. Hans Neumayer (W. Germany), 5. Gody Schmutz (Switzerland).



BACK INTO THE RING: Roberto Duran, who quite from the ring last year, is making a comeback as he fights Nino Gonzalez Sunday.

Roberto Duran on comeback trail

CLEVELAND, Aug. 7 (AP) — "He's made a mistake he won't make again," wailed the recorded voice of Carl Russell as a figure in a blue sweatsuit shadowed boxed Thursday in a ring in the Cavernous Tower City Courthouse.

"In Panama City he's known as a hell of a man ... Roberto Duran," echoed throughout the hall. He's paid the price, and he's been where the sun hasn't shown.

Roberto Duran's brilliant boxing career was cast into the shadows when the fearsome fighter called "hands of stone", a Panamanian national hero, a latin legend, quit in the eighth round and lost the World Boxing Council welterweight championship back to Sugar Ray Leonard last Nov. 25.

"He's coming back, he's coming back to stay," continued the musical message in a slow, almost bluesy beat. "He's coming back so move out of the way ... Roberto Duran." Duran, now 30, will fight 22-year-old Nino Gonzalez of Bayonne, New Jersey, in a scheduled 10-round, nationally televised junior middleweight bout Sunday in the 9,000-seat auditorium.

A victory by Duran could lead to a title shot against Wilfred Benitez, the WBC

super-welterweight champion, and possibly a third fight against Leonard, who also holds the World Boxing Association 15-pound class title.

Leonard, who lost the welterweight title to Duran in Montreal June 20, 1980, has said he won't fight Duran again. But plans are never certain in boxing. A Leonard loss to Thomas Hearns in their bout for the universal welterweight title Sept. 16 and a victory by Duran over Benitez could conceivably lead to a junior middleweight showdown between Duran and Leonard.

A loss Sunday, and it's over for Duran, who will go into the bout with a 72-2 record. "The only thing I have to prove is to win," said Duran, who blames his surprising action against Leonard in New Orleans on a sick stomach and says he would react the same under similar circumstances.

"Duran announced after the loss to Leonard that he would not fight again. At the time I said I was going to retire, I mean it," he said Thursday. He also said that night, Don King, the promoter, told him: "You must come back. You're a great champion." That meant a lot to me.

The day after Duran quit, King said: "I

don't intend to promote any Duran fights again." The promoter now says that was an emotional statement and calls Duran "the greatest fighter I've ever seen ... not the smoothest. I owe him a chance to get redemption." King also remembers that he promoted the second Duran-Leonard match because Duran refused to fight if King wasn't involved.

So now, for \$75,000 tax free, Duran, who got \$8 million in losing to Leonard, will fight Gonzalez, who sparred with him briefly when he was preparing for the second Leonard fight.

Gonzalez, who has a 24-1 record, recalled that he sparred two rounds with Duran and "he really didn't show me nothing." So, he continued, Duran "asked me in Spanish to do another round."

Gonzalez also said he didn't lose any respect for Duran as a fighter because of his quitting against Leonard. "Maybe he had a reason. Maybe he did have cramps," said the Bayonne-born Puerto Rican.

But, while Gonzalez, who remembers that he was nervous when he sparred with Duran, didn't lose respect for Duran as a fighter, he did lose his temper at a news conference earlier this week.

Duran made some slurs against Puerto Ricans, and Gonzalez replied: "A Puerto Rican may go down, but he doesn't quit."

Meanwhile, Gerrie Coetzee of South Africa believes he has answered questions concerning his endurance in the ring. Coetzee, known as a knockout puncher, faces renaldo "Mr. Snipes Sunday in a scheduled 10-round, crucial to both fighters' chances of a future heavyweight title bout.

For Coetzee, a title shot would be his third, he lost a 15-round decision to John Tate for the vacant World Boxing Association Championship on Oct. 20, 1979 in Pretoria, South Africa. And he was knocked out in the 13th round by WBA champion Mike Weaver one year later in Bophuthatswana.

"I went 13 rounds with Mike Weaver, and I gained a lot of confidence against a world champion," Coetzee said. "And in my last fight, I went 10 rounds at 12 noon, a hot weather in Hawaii."

That 10-round decision over George Chaplin came last March 8, the beginning of Coetzee's road back to respectability. He meets a substantial roadblock, however, in the rising Snipes, who is coming off a 10-round decision over then-light heavyweight champion Eddie Mustafa Muhammad on May 17.

Scotland dominates

AGRANTJULY, Scotland, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Scotland won one gold and two silver medals from the Threopite water team events on the second day of the Commonwealth Canoeing Championships here Thursday.

Joek Young, who won a gold medal in the men's C2 event in the World Championships last week, gained his second gold in the men's C1 event.

Barnes' big deal comes through

LEEDS, July 7 (AP) — England's international star Peter Barnes Friday agreed to join Leeds United from West Bromwich Albion. The clubs agreed to a fee of 930,000 pounds for Barnes, a winger who formerly played for Manchester City.

Earlier, Leeds were not prepared to pay the 750,000 pound transfer fee, plus Value Added Tax, as well as a levy to the Football League, which would take the total to nearly one million. The club exists on gates of just over 20,000 and the board wanted three players for one million.

Meanwhile, World Cup star Ebligniew Boniek has had his suspension lifted and will be available for the Polish soccer team to play West Germany in Chorzow September 2.

Boniek, one of the four players sent home from Rome on their way to Daita for a World Cup qualifier, was banned for a year. The ban resulted following a tussle with the then manager Ryszard Kulesza at the airport.

I'm after the title, Tate says

KNOXVILLE, Tennessee, Aug. 6 (AP) — John Tate boxes a dairy farmer in a Saturday night card that he hopes will again make him a contender for the World Boxing Association heavyweight title he held for one bout.

Dairy farmer Clayman "Plowboy" Parker, slated to fight Tate's sparring partner until an injury scratched Tate's original opponent this week, says he needs, cash for a house payment. And beating Tate would bring plenty more paychecks, Parker said.

"You need to know I intend to jump into his tree and shake the limbs," Parker, 28, said. "I understand Tate is an honorable man, but I'm not coming to the ring to dance. Tate can be friend' with somebody else. He's going to have to fight me."

Tate was scheduled to fight Jody Ballard of Jacksonville, Florida, in the main event of seven fights at Bill Meyer Stadium, home of a Toronto Blue Jays baseball farm team. Promoters say they've sold 2,500 of 5,000 seats.

Two previously scheduled bouts were canceled when Tate injured his back and there was a dispute over a referee. Last weekend,

Ballard was riding a bicycle and collided with a car, prompting promoters to move Parker up from fighting Walter Santemore. Neither Tate nor Parker would disclose their pay for the fight.

Parker, 28, of Lincolnton, North Carolina, says he holds a 37-7-1 record in 10 years of boxing. He won a decision victory in his latest bout in January. "I can hit hard," Parker said. "I don't wear out easily. I'm not going to stand back and play punching bag for John Tate."

Tate scored a decision victory over Nevada boxer Harvey Steichen in February, but Miller called Parker the first test since Tate lost his title to a Mike Weaver knockout punch in March 1980. Tate's first comeback was stopped a few months later by a knockout punch from Trevor Berbick.

"This fight, we're going to throw him in there and let him be the same old John Tate," he said. "John Tate is the former champion and he's just now hitting his stride."

Tate, 26, trained Thursday at the Knoxville Golden Gloves arena, his gymnasium since Miller bought Tate's bus ticket from West Memphis, Arkansas, and molded him into an Olympic bronze medal winner while Tate drove a garbage truck.

"This is just another fight to get back into the heavyweight picture," Tate said after a workout Thursday. "I'm going to win ... I'm not fighting for the money."

Tate, who denied Steichen a clear shot like the knockout punches by Weaver and Berbick, wouldn't entertain the idea of losing Saturday. "I'm not even going to talk in those terms," he said. Miller added, "A loss right now would be very detrimental to John."

Springboks tour in jeopardy

WELLINGTON, Aug. 7 (AFP) — The New Zealand Rugby Union has called off a Springboks match at Timaru as opposition to the South African Rugby Union tour continues to mount.

Civic leaders in Dunedin and Wellington Friday called on the police and rugby union to cancel the games scheduled for their two cities. Earlier, the Christchurch City Council — where the first Test is planned — also called for cancellation. The Timaru match has been called off by the union because the ground cannot be secured from anti-apartheid protesters.

Meanwhile, in Invercargill, the venue for Saturday's match, police spread coiled barbed wire around three sides of the playing field to protect the ground from anti-tour protesters. Street marches in the city have been banned. In Dunedin, the call to abandon Tuesday's match came from the Mayor Cliff Skeggs and a group of prominent citizens.

In Wellington, leader of the Labor group on the city council demanded that the second Test in the city be canceled. Helen Ritchie said Wellington did not need the violence and bloodshed of another police baton charge on the city's anti-tour marchers. She said last

Wednesday's baton wielding incident in which police and protesters clashed was more than enough for the capital.

The Christchurch City Council asked the police and rugby union to cancel the first Test in the city and the city fathers agreed to tell the Springbok team it was not welcome in Christchurch as soon as the touring party set foot there. Rugby fans in the city of Timaru were stunned by the New Zealand Rugby Union's decision to cancel the match. Pro-tour leader Gary McQuilkan said it was "appalling that a small minority of protesters can stop a match in a strong rugby city."

The Springboks have met with anti-apartheid protests wherever they have traveled in New Zealand. They have so far played four matches. One match to be canceled after demonstrators seized the ground.

The tour, which has precipitated the worst civil disruptions in New Zealand's history, has also caused New Zealand problems within the British Commonwealth. The West Indies Thursday officially withdrew an invitation for a visit by New Zealand's cricket team. New Zealand's participation in the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Australia is also in dispute. A meeting of the Commonwealth finance ministers scheduled for Wellington in September has been moved to the Bahamas.

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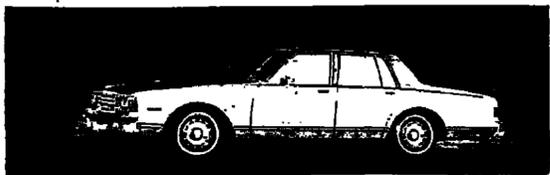
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Dissidents attack Iran office in U.S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (Agencies) — Dissident Iranians shouting "Death to the Khomeini Regime" occupied Iran's only diplomatic outpost here Friday. The secret service said one person had been shot and 15 to 20 arrested.

Agency spokesman Jim Boyle said one other person sustained a broken knee. As those arrested were led off, shouts rang out of "Long Live the People" and "death to the Khomeini Regime." The district of Columbia Fire Department said the injured were taken to hospital.

The secret service moved in to rescue

about five persons taken hostage by the anti-Khomeini group, a police spokesman said.

Police entered the building about an hour after the seizure and minutes later several stretchers were brought out to waiting ambulances. It was not immediately clear whether the wounded were hostages or their captors. Eyewitnesses at the scene said some of the people brought out of the building on stretchers appeared to have been beaten. They reported that some of those involved in the seizure had been armed with automatic weapons.

Earlier, a man identifying himself as a member of the "People's Majority," called the Associated Press and said he and others of the group had occupied the offices of the Iranian interests section in the Algerian Embassy.

The interests section is maintained in lieu of a full-fledged embassy. The United States had broken diplomatic relations with Tehran, following the storming of the U.S. Embassy there in November 1979, and ordered all but token diplomatic personnel out of the country in April 1980.

Secret service and FBI agents also were sent to the office building housing the Iranian mission, and traffic was diverted from busy Wisconsin Avenue, where the facility is operated under the diplomatic umbrella of the embassy of Algeria.

Secret service spokesman Richard Hartwig said an undetermined number of people were involved in the "takeover."

On Wednesday, the elder son of the late Shah of Iran announced in Cairo, Egypt, that he was engineering a "national uprising" in hopes of toppling Ayatollah Khomeini and called on opponents of the militant Islamic government "to join patriots fighting inside Iran...to destroy the forces of evil."

Paris hospital partly evacuated

PARIS, Aug. 7 (AFP) — Fears about a possible legionnaires' disease outbreak forced a partial evacuation and sterilization of a Paris hospital Friday, four days after a patient died of the disease.

The decision to evacuate Bichat Hospital, one of the most modern in Paris, came a month after the death of another patient in a different Paris hospital. That patient had spent some time in Bichat, where the illness was diagnosed.

Patients being treated for kidney problems or being administered drugs that break down the body's immunological systems were moved to other treatment centers, hospital sources said. Hospital employees then began disinfecting the entire building, including pipes and vents that might offer a favorable climate for the development of the legionnaires' disease bacterium.

Professor Jacques Latrille, health ministry official, said cases of legionnaires' disease have often been noted in French hospitals where air conditioning ducts favor their growth. The second death from the disease in a month led officials to fear a possible contamination, and they decided on the evacuation, he added.

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Soviets 'rebuff' U.S. Afghan bid

NEW YORK, Aug. 7 (AP) — The Soviet Union reportedly rebuffed efforts by the Reagan administration to begin secret discussions aimed at reaching a political settlement of the fighting in Afghanistan, *The New York Times* reported Friday.

The *Times* quoted unnamed State Department officials as saying the United States has shifted its strategy in an attempt to get the Soviets to begin talking.

The officials reportedly tried to convince Soviet officials that since they could not defeat the rebels in Afghanistan, they should go along with the American offer to provide a "face-saving diplomatic exit that would take Soviet interests into account."

The Soviets, however, reportedly said they could not talk until the West recognized the regime of Babrak Karmal, which they installed and until there was a guarantee that Mujahideen operations will not cross the border into Afghanistan. The *Times* said the administration of U.S. President Ronald Reagan is trying to persuade the Soviets they will end up with a military standoff in Afghanistan.

Officials are said to be trying to bring about some movement on the issue before September when Secretary of State Alexander Haig and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko meet at the United Nations.

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Dawda sees foreign hand in revolt

BANJUL, Gambia, Aug. 7 (R) — Gambian President Dawda Jawara Friday faced the hard task of rebuilding his country after a week-long revolt in which hundreds of his countrymen died.

According to informed sources, the president said Friday there was foreign support behind the attempted coup. They said he told a meeting of the political bureau of his People's Progressive Party that the support was for ideological motives. He did not say who he meant.

Meanwhile, the Gambian security forces were recruiting new members after some of them went over to the rebels' side when 28-year-old politician Kukli Samba Sanyang tried to seize power on July 30. Sir Dawda has said there will be radical changes in the forces.

Troops from neighboring Senegal, called in by the president, searched all cars going in and out of Banjul and mopped up some rebel resistance in the city. The capital, paralyzed by last week's events, was gradually returning to normal though shops and government offices were still closed.

Senegalese troops came under rebel sniper

U.S. lieutenant admits giving missile secrets

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AFP) — U.S. Army Lt. Christopher Cooke, arrested in May for illegal contacts with the Soviet Embassy here, has admitted supplying secret information on American nuclear missiles to the Soviet Union, official sources confirmed here Friday.

In a confession, which appeared in a statement presented to the military court of appeal, Lt. Cooke said that for approximately a year he had photographed, copied and given secret and top-secret information relating to American nuclear strategy to Soviet Embassy officials.

Peasants back junta in Bolivia

LA PAZ, Aug. 7 (R) — Generals faced generals in a battle for power in Bolivia Friday and a 6,000-man peasant army was officially reported to have joined the military feud. The military junta which declared it had replaced President Luis Garcia Meza, overthrown Tuesday in Bolivia's 190th coup d'etat in 156 years, sent troops to the stronghold of two generals who refused to recognize its authority.

Military sources said regiments loyal to the junta were on their way to the eastern province of Santa Cruz where ex-President Alberto Natusch Busch and ex-Army Chief of Staff Lucio Anez Rivero were refusing to lay down their arms. State television carried an official announcement that 6,000 peasants were marching from the town of Cochabamba to Santa Cruz in support of the three-man junta.

Gen. Natusch and Gen. Anez mounted the revolt that led to the overthrow of Gen. Garcia Meza. They have insisted the junta negotiates with them to decide who runs the country. In a speech to the nation Thursday night, the senior member of the junta, Air Force Cmdr. Walter Bernal, said the armed forces were split into two factions. He called for unity to solve Bolivia's grave economic, political and social problems.

Gen. Bernal made no mention of what was happening in Santa Cruz, 500 kms southeast of the capital. The situation in the rebel stronghold was unclear because all communications from La Paz were down. The peasants from a local farm laborers' confederation have traditionally supported whatever government happens to be in power in Bolivia.

There was no word on whether the peasants were armed but the junta said it had told them to stop their march and go home. Because of the lack of communications it was not clear whether the order had been heeded. Gen. Natusch and Gen. Anez are demanding a return to freedoms guaranteed by the political constitution which were obliterated when Gen. Garcia Meza ousted the democratic caretaker government of Mrs. Lidia Gueiler in July last year.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen

I told you over two years ago of the cat we bought for our daughter — the animal which, as it turned out, had better pedigree than most of us. Well, it's still here, eating choicest foods and going regularly to the cat psychologist to have its problems sorted out.

Many readers wrote in after that piece — some accusing me of inventing the whole thing, some to give their favorite cat stories. One of them in fact was kind enough to come visiting, to inquire further about the cat, and brought with him a very good book on the whole cat question.

I never knew there was so much of the business of the owning. Upkeep and the history of cats. While I was always aware that the ancient Egyptians venerated the cat, I never knew why. But now I know: ancient Egypt's fame as the granary of the world owed a great deal to the Egyptian cat — a terror, apparently, when it comes to the Egyptian mouse. Now the cats ate the mice which otherwise would have eaten the grain. Hence the veneration.

Also, I never knew that in the Middle Ages, the Europeans, for reasons best known to themselves, had it in for cats.

To the extent that the European varieties of cats were on the verge of extinction. Now the ancient Egyptians could have enlightened the Europeans on this point. For if you destroy the cat you, by that same token, encourage all sorts of rats and mice — and Europe at the time was almost overrun with those at the time.

Translated from Ashraq Al Awsat

Priceless letters stolen

VIENNA, Aug. 7 (R) — Priceless letters from Franz Liszt, Richard Wagner, Pablo Casals and other famous musicians have been stolen from the showrooms of Vienna's most prestigious piano firm, a company spokesman said Friday.

The letters, as well as signed portraits of Liszt and Johannes Brahms, were missing from the practice room of the Boesendorfer Piano Company Saturday after a young American had tested some of the company's grand pianos, he said. The suspected thief, who according to Boesendorfer tradition was allowed to practice alone after normal business hours, later left for Nice, France. He is now being sought through the international police organization Interpol.

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certain circumstance. But as for the general U.S. policy toward the Middle East, we are not satisfied," he said.

The crown prince made particular point to the Palestinian question and its rights as the root of difference. This difference has been spoken about and reaffirmed with any U.S. administration, he said.

"This deference can not be underestimated since it is directly linked to the security and stability of our region. It is also connected to American interests. I don't know how the consecutive U.S. administrations continue to risk their relations and interests with us by supporting Israel politically, financially and militarily," Prince Fahd said.

Israel occupies all Palestinian land as well as territories of other Arab countries. It builds settlements, confiscates land and kills innocent civilians with American weapons which Israel promises not to use in aggression, he said.

"The U.S. should stop this assistance to preserve the explosive world peace," the crown prince added.

Speaking about the Kingdom's efforts in achieving the ceasefire in Lebanon, Prince Fahd said: "After the grave deterioration caused by Israel's barbarous air raids on Lebanon, King Khalid ordered action on all levels to spare the lives of innocent civilians — children, women and the aged — who fell victims to the Israeli military machine which concentrated on bombing, killing and destruction in Beirut and the south.

"We contacted Washington and expressed our deep concern over the deteriorating situation. We requested the U.S. to press on Israel before the situation builds up to an explosion. The ceasefire decision was

achieved after intensive efforts. We informed the Arab parties directly concerned in the issue of what had been reached," he said.

Prince Fahd strongly stressed that the ceasefire decision does not mean that the Palestinian people shall cease their struggle against the occupier. "The ceasefire has been enforced for certain humanitarian circumstances in a limited critical time," he said.

He reiterated the Kingdom's national support to the Palestinian cause and its physical relation to the Palestinian people's struggle. But he said that Saudi Arabia's move to save innocent lives was gunned-down by Israeli planes.

He praised the "unique bravery" of the Palestinian and Lebanese fighters during the 15-day by standing up to the Israeli planes and missiles with their limited potential but unlimited faith.

On behalf of the Kingdom's people and government, Prince Fahd greeted the PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, and the Palestinian and Lebanese peoples for their determination to confront Israeli barbarism.

Prince Fahd said that Saudi Arabia is greatly concerned about restoring security and stability in Lebanon. The Kingdom, he said is working through the Arab Follow-Up Committee to achieve national reconciliation. The committee has made considerable progress so far and has more to do which we hope it will successfully achieve.

"I do not have the least doubt about Syria's seriousness in helping Lebanon overcome the crisis, he added. "A solution to the Lebanese problem will have a positive impact on the region as a whole — the settlement of the Lebanese problem may be the key for resolving the Arab cause," Prince Fahd said.

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